

19And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" <sup>20</sup>He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ."

—John 1:19-20 ESV

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He came as a witness, to bear witness about the Light, that all might believe through him.

—John 1:7 ESV

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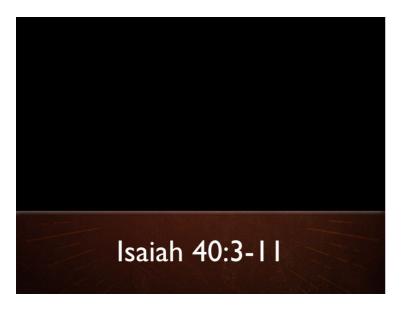
Matthew 3:1-6

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<sup>21</sup>And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." <sup>22</sup>So they said to him, "Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" <sup>23</sup>He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the LORD,' as the prophet Isaiah said." —John I:21-23 ESV

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The Message Behind the Movement

Repent

Mark 1:4

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Repentance vs. Tolerance

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"Repentance is simply that process by which a person who is away from God recognizes that situation and goes back to God... repentance always takes place in relation to someone—always in relation to God, and sometimes in relation to other people as well.

Repentance is never a private affair.

God created us to live in relationships—first with himself, and then with others. That is the reason why religions that do not have a personal God of grace with whom we may enjoy a loving relationship, and from whom it is possible to stray, have no proper place for repentance."

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<sup>4</sup>Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds we are healed.

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<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth...

10Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush Him; He has put Him to grief; when His soul makes an offering for guilt, He shall see His offspring; He shall prolong His days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in His hand.

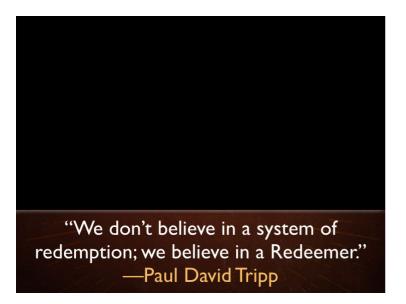
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He shall see and be satisfied; by His knowledge shall the righteous One, My servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and He shall bear their iniquities.

-Isaiah 53:4-7, 10-11 ESV

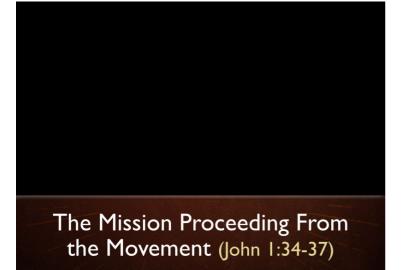
...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God... —Romans 3:23 ESV

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Jesus in MY place.

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"I'm not here to make disciples of David, but of Jesus."

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