

# MATTHEW

June 5, 2022

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## READ

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## QUESTIONS for REFLECTION

1. Identify all the factors that contribute to John the Baptizer being “more than a prophet” (vv. 10-14).

2. What does a messenger do (v. 10; c.f., Malachi 3:1)? How did John fulfill this?

What else does this messenger do?

3. Discuss the paradox in v. 11. How is the least in the kingdom of heaven greater than the greatest (John)? (Where is the basis of our greatness to be found?)

4. How do you understand v. 12? (Consult other translations. Which seems to make the most sense here?)

5. What does v. 13 emphasize?

6. How is John “Elijah who was to come” (v. 14; c.f., Malachi 4:5)?

7. What is the gist of Jesus’ parable (vv. 16-19; c.f., Luke 7:29-30)?

8. What is the point of Jesus’ proverb (v. 19b)?

### **PERSONAL RESPONSE**

I will humble myself this week by . . .

I will seize the kingdom (of heaven) this week by . . .