**John 1:6–8 (NKJV)** <sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John. <sup>7</sup> This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. <sup>8</sup> He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light.

**Matthew 3:1–6 (NLT**) In those days John the Baptist came to the Judean wilderness and began preaching. His message was, <sup>2</sup> "Repent of your sins and turn to God, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near." <sup>3</sup> The prophet Isaiah was speaking about John when he said, "He is a voice shouting in the wilderness,

'Prepare the way for the Lord's coming!

Clear the road for him!' <sup>4</sup> John's clothes were woven from coarse camel hair, and he wore a leather belt around his waist. For food he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup> People from Jerusalem and from all of Judea and all over the Jordan Valley went out to see and hear John. <sup>6</sup> And when they confessed their sins, he baptized them in the Jordan River.

**Matthew 3:7–8 (NLT)** <sup>7</sup> But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming to watch him baptize, he denounced them. "You brood of snakes!" he exclaimed. "Who warned you to flee the coming wrath? <sup>8</sup> Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God.

**John 1:8–11 (NLT)** <sup>8</sup> John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. <sup>9</sup> The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup> He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. <sup>11</sup> He came to his own people, and even they rejected him.

**John 3:19–20 (NIV)** <sup>19</sup> This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup> Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed.

**John 1:9–11 (NLT)** <sup>9</sup> The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup> He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. <sup>11</sup> He came to his own people, and even they rejected him.

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God the Father and Jesus the Son created the worlds together, in unison with each other and the Holy Spirit as He hovered over the face of the earth.

**John 1:10–11 (NLT)** <sup>10</sup> He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. <sup>11</sup> He came to his own people, and even they rejected him.

**John 17:3 (NKJV)** And this is eternal life, that they may **know** You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

**Amos 8:11 (NIV)** <sup>11</sup> "The days are coming," declares the Sovereign Lord, "when I will send a famine through the land— not a famine of food or a thirst for water, but a famine of hearing the words of the Lord."

**Luke 13:34 (NLT)** "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones God's messengers! How often I have wanted to gather your children together as a hen protects her chicks beneath her wings, **but you wouldn't let me**.

**John 1:10–13 (NLT)** <sup>10</sup> He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. <sup>11</sup> He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. <sup>12</sup> But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. <sup>13</sup> They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

**John 17:20 (NLT)** "I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message."

**John 3:16–17 (NKJV)** <sup>16</sup> For God so loved the **world** that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send His Son into the **world** to condemn the **world**, but that the **world** through Him might be **saved**.

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**Romans 10:13–14 (NLT)** <sup>13</sup> For "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." <sup>14</sup> But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?