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John the Baptist

- 1. Prophesied (Isa 40:3–4; Mal. 3:1; 4:5)
- 2. Elijah who was to come (Matt 11:14, cf. John 1:21)
- 3. Priestly family (Luke 1:5)
- 4. Miraculous conception (Matt 1; Luke 1)
- 5. Jesus' relative and elder of 6 months (Luke 1:36)
- 6. Nazarite (Luke 1:15)
- 7. Grew up in the desert (Luke 1:80)
- 8. Prophet, beginning about A.D. 25 (Luke 3:1)
- 9. Attracted large crowds (Matt 3:5), near Bethany across the Jordan (John 1:28)
- 10. Preached (a) Kingdom of God and (b) a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Mark 1:4)
- 11. Never performed a miracle (John 10:41)
- 12. Greatest person who ever lived (Matt 11:11)
- 13. Humbled himself before Jesus (John 1:27; 3:30)
- 14. Died because of Herodias and Herod (Matt 14:1–12)
- 15. He was compared to Jesus (Matt 16:14)