"Rejection or Reception" John 1:6-13 January 18, 2015

Question: Who is John in verse 6: Answer: John the Baptist

Two truths about John the Baptist He was a man <u>sent by God.</u> (v.6) He was sent as a <u>witness to the Light. (v</u>.7.8)

Question: Why did John the Baptist bear witness about the Light? Answer: "...so that others might <u>believe</u> through him." (v.7c)

Three questions to ask yourself in writing your testimony: What was my life like <u>before I met Christ?</u> How did <u>I meet Christ?</u> What is my life like now <u>since I met Christ?</u>

When you witness for Christ, you get one of two responses: They might <u>reject</u> Him. (v.9-11) They might <u>receive</u> Him. (v.12)

Question: What happens when you receive Christ? Answer: You become <u>a child of God.</u>

Three ways you are not born into God's family: You're not born into God's family by <u>genetics.</u> (v.13a) You're not born into God's family by <u>desire.</u> (v.13b) You're not born into God's family by <u>self-determination.</u> (v.13c)

Question: How is someone born into God's family? Answer <u>God does it all.</u> (v.13d) God the Holy Spirit <u>calls</u> and we <u>respond</u>.