

# Encounters with Jesus

## “John the Baptist”

Has Jesus brought about any *change* in your life? Today we’re returning to our series on “**Encounters with Jesus**”. We’re looking at some of the people who spent time with Jesus and the impact that it had on their lives. This morning we’re going to consider “**John the Baptist**”

### John’s early Encounters with Jesus

- John was a relative of Jesus – Luke 1:5-80, (36)
  
- John must have known Jesus growing up – Matthew 3:13-4

### John’s Encounter at the baptism of Jesus

- John saw Heaven opened when he baptized Jesus – Matthew 3:13-17
  
- John testified that Jesus was the Messiah – John 1:19-36; 3:22-36

### John’s Encounter with Jesus while in prison

- John was arrested and put in prison – Matthew 4:12; 11:1-6
  
- Jesus had high praise for John the Baptist – Matthew 11:7-19