



## “Living A Great Life” (John 1:19-34)

What is greatness? What does it mean to live a great life? Besides Jesus, who has been the greatest and most influential person in your life? When you die will people say at your funeral that you were a great person? (Luke 7:28)

### If You Want to Live a Great Life You Must...

- **Know Who You Aren't.** vv19-21; Mal3:1, 4:5; Deut18:15; Matt17:12-13; Pro27:2

Superiority Complex: Thinking too highly of yourself (Conceit).  
Rom12:3a; Phil2:1, 3

Humility: It's not thinking less of yourself but thinking of yourself less (self-forgetfulness).

- **Know Who You Are.** vv22-23

Inferiority Complex: Thinking too lowly of yourself (Self-pity).  
Gal5:26

Confidence: It comes from an identity that is NOT achieved but received. Rom12:3b; 1Cor4:3-4

- **Know Who Jesus Is.**

- His Presence. vv24-26; John1:14
- His Greatness. vv27-28
- His Purpose. v29

- His Nature. vv30-31
- His Ministry. vv32-33
- His Character. v34

If this is what the person looked like who prepared the way for Jesus, then what should a disciple of Jesus Christ look like who comes after Jesus?

### **Growing Notes**

- 1) What is greatness? What does it mean to live a great life? Besides Jesus, who has been the greatest and most influential person in your life? What did Jesus say about John the Baptist (Luke 7:28)?
- 2) Read John 1:19-34. What stands out to you about the life of John the Baptist from this text? If You Want to Live a Great Life You Must Know Who You Aren't (vv19-21). Explain. What is a superiority complex (Rom12:3a) and what is the opposite (Phil1:1, 3)? What is humility (Matt18:4)?
- 3) If You Want to Live a Great Life You Must Know Who You Are (vv22-23). Explain. What would be an inferiority complex (Gal5:26) and what would be the opposite (Rom12:3b; 1Cor4:3-4)? What does it mean that confidence comes from an identity that is NOT achieved but received?
- 4) If You Want to Live a Great Life You Must Know Who Jesus Is (vv24-34). Humility is NOT found by direct pursuit but is a byproduct of being captivated by Jesus. Explain. Review and meditate on the six points describing Jesus. Which one(s) humble you and which one(s) give you confidence? Pray that db would be a people who are living great lives.

