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Luke 3:15-22



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Into prison for the truth



The way John acts is so unusual that some want to see the Christ in him. But John corrects them: "Jesus is much greater than I am." The Baptist doesn't even think himself good enough to loosen the straps of Jesus' sandals. Read in Matthew 11:11 what Jesus says about John!

People are of divided opinions concerning Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Maybe you know the phrase "to separate the chaff from the wheat." Those who believe in the Lord Jesus are the wheat which is gathered for heaven. Whoever doesn't believe is like the chaff and will one day be thrown into the fire (v17).

Herod takes John prisoner because he courageously tells him the truth. Before that, though, he is allowed to baptise the Lord Jesus and see what happens then (v22)!



25. Why does Herod arrest John?

26. Can God change His mind "with the times" with regard to moral issues? Read Malachi 3:6 and James 1:17!



To hear the truth about oneself can be rather uncomfortable. How do you react when someone challenges you with regard to sin in your life?

And the other way round: Has it happened that you have been silent because you thought: „If I tell the truth now, people will laugh at me or leave me out.“

God will reward you if you tell the truth, even if you have to suffer for it.



It is always worth it to tell the truth, even if you have to suffer for it!



25. Because he reprimanded him (publicly) (v4).
26. No, God remains faithful to Himself and never changes his opinions.