Key Verse

“Wisdom is proved right by her deeds.”
(Matthew 11:19b)
Proof Positive
(Matthew 11:7-19)

People went to see John the Baptist. Did they expect him to be weak? Or dressed in nice clothes? Or a prophet (messenger of God)? John was more than a prophet. Prophets said that he would come before Jesus with a special message.

John was the greatest. But those thought of as unimportant in God’s kingdom are greater than John! After John began preaching, God’s kingdom grew.

Because John did not eat or drink, people said he had a bad spirit. Jesus did eat and drink. And they called Jesus greedy and a friend to sinners. But the work of Jesus and John is proof of their wisdom.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

In today’s lesson, your child heard Jesus’ message concerning John the Baptist. Jesus emphasized how John’s uniqueness was criticized by people as his being possessed by a demonic spirit. In addition, people criticized Jesus for associating with sinners. However, their deeds reflected their wisdom. As you review this story, remind your child that though people might make fun of his or her wise actions, he or she should know that those actions are pleasing to God.

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Your Child’s Teacher