Proof Positive

When John the Baptist’s followers were walking away, Jesus began talking to the crowds about him. Jesus asked, “What did you go out to the desert to see? Did you go to see grass blowing in the wind? Or a man dressed in fine clothes?” The answer to both of these questions was “No.” A man that dresses in fine clothes lives in a palace. Jesus said, “You went to see a prophet. John is more than a prophet. The Scriptures say this about him: ‘I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.’” Jesus continues by saying, “John the Baptist is greater than any other man who has ever lived. But even the least important person in the kingdom of heaven is greater than John.

“John came, and he did not eat like other people or drink wine. And people said, ‘He has a demon.’ When the Son of Man came, eating and drinking wine, people said, ‘Look at him! He eats too much and drinks too much. He is a friend of tax collectors and “sinners.”’ But decisions made with wisdom are proved to be right.”

Key Verse:
“Wisdom is proved right by her deeds.” (Matthew 11:19b)
Hello, everyone! Ruby here. TaMia and I could be good friends, since I love science too! TaMia thought she was just ordinary—but did you know that there are a lot of ordinary people who do extraordinary things? Have you heard about Jane Goodall? She loved animals and wanted to study them in their natural habitats. So, when she was twenty-six, she went to Africa. Her up-close observations of chimpanzees changed what we know about them and paved the way for many female scientists who came after her. Check out “The Ordinary People Who Change the World” series to learn about more extraordinary people!
Rewrite the Statements
Something about each statement below from today’s lesson is false (not true). Use the Bible story to write the correct version of the statements on the lines below.

1. Jesus began talking to a crowd of people about Moses.
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2. John the Baptist did not have a very important job.
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3. John the Baptist ate with tax collectors and sinners.
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Jesus began talking to the *crowds* about John. “What did you go out to the *desert* to see?

A *man dressed in fine clothes*? You went to see a prophet. The *Scriptures* say, ‘I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.’"

“John came, and *he did not eat like other people or drink wine*. The Son of Man came, *eating and drinking wine*, and people say, ‘Look at him! He eats too much and drinks too much.’ But decisions made with wisdom are proved to be right.”