**John 1:6-8
6 There came a man who was sent from God; his name was John.**

1. **A man sent from God (v.6)**

the word "sent" (*apestalmenos*[PWS: 3447](http://www.crossbooks.com/book.asp?pub=0&book=748&tocpath=S\#3447: Sent)) means to send out; to commission as a representative, an ambassador, an envoy

The man was named John. His name means gracious.

Isaiah 40:3
A voice of one calling: "In the desert prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the wilderness a highway for our God.

Malachi 4:5-6
5 "See, I will send you the prophet Elijah before that great and dreadful day of the LORD comes.
6 He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers; or else I will come and strike the land with a curse."

**7 He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe.**

**2.  A man with a mission (v.7)**

John 15:26-27
26 "When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will testify about me.
27 And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

Acts 1:8
8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 4:33
33 With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all.

Acts 18:5
5 When Silas and Timothy came from Macedonia, Paul devoted himself exclusively to preaching, testifying to the Jews that Jesus was the Christ.

**8 He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.**

**3.  A man who was great, but was not the Light (v.8)**

Matthew 23:12
For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted**.**

James 4:10
Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

1 Peter 5:5-6
5 Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."
6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.