John 3:22-30

The Character of a Godly Man

Intro

1. John was A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in his ministry (vv. 22-24):

2. John’s A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the sovereignty of God (v. 27).

Background: The complaint brought to John (vv. 25-26) –

a) John’s disciples had a jealous party spirit –

b) John’s disciples had a poor knowledge of Christ –

c) The meaning of “all” –

d) John’s answer is to affirm the sovereignty of God (v. 27) -

“A man can receive nothing, unless it has been given him from heaven.”

3. John’s A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of himself (vv. 28-29).

a) I am not the Christ (v. 28) –

b) I am only the friend of the bridegroom -

4. John’s A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ (v. 29).

5. John’s A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ toward Jesus Christ (v. 30).

“He must increase, I must decrease.”

Conclusion