

**John 3:31~** He that comes from above, is over all others.<sup>1</sup> He that is from the earth is from the earth, and speaks of things of the earth. He that comes from heaven, is over all others.

**Footnote: Or, all things**

**1· John the Baptist then showed, that the one that comes down to earth from heaven, is above all others. While he that comes from the earth, is from the earth, and speaks the things of the earth. Yet he that comes forth from heaven, is over all others.**

**[Question]** Though himself a man born from men, what did John the Baptist recognize about Jesus?

**2· So he went on to say to them; You, are from the realms below. I am from the realms above. You are from this world. I am not from this world. (John 8:23)**

**[Question]** Where did Jesus tell his listeners that they were from, and where he was from, in contrast to this?

**3· They originate with the world. That is why they speak what proceeds from the world, and the world listens to them. (1 John 4:5)**

**[Question]** Where did Jesus tell his disciples, that others originated from, and so who listened to them?

**4· I, for my part, baptize you with water because of your repentance, but the one coming after me is stronger than I am, whose sandals I am not fit to take off. That one will baptize you people with Holy Spirit and with fire. (Matthew 3:11)**

**[Question]** What did John the Baptist baptize people with, and what did he contrast this with, about the coming one, greater than him?

**5· Keep your minds fixed on the things above, not on the things upon the earth. (Colossians 3:2)**

**[Question]** What did Paul encourage anointed Christians to keep their minds fixed upon?