

Home Group Discussion Questions

Sunday 31st October

Passage: Luke 3:1-20

Ice breaker: John lived in the Wilderness. **Tell us about the best and the worst places you have lived.**

1. John's style was clearly confrontational. **What styles of evangelism do you think work best and why?**
2. Spiritual pride was preventing the religious elite from understanding God's good news for their lives.
 - a. **What can hinder the work of God and his blessing in our lives?**
 - b. John deals bluntly with the religious pride of some in his audience. He uses strong language like "You brood of snakes" when addressing the crowds. These people thought they were fine because they were children of Abraham. **How could religious pride manifest itself in our lives?**
3. John tells the soldiers to be content with what they have. **How does discontentment with our lot in life cause us to dishonour God? How should we address this?**
4. John told the tax collectors to avoid the temptation to exploit people and the soldiers to avoid the temptation to extort money, accuse falsely and grumble. **What do you see as the temptations in your vocation and how might John have addressed them?**