

# John 5:33

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth.

## Analysis

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Jesus reminds them 'Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth,' referencing the delegation's inquiry (John 1:19-27). John's testimony was consistent and reliable—he pointed to Christ. That they consulted John shows their desire for prophetic guidance, yet they rejected his testimony about Jesus. This illustrates how seekers can resist truth when it challenges their assumptions.

## Historical Context

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The Jewish authorities' delegation to John the Baptist (John 1:19-27) represented official investigation. John's testimony was clear: he was not the Messiah but the forerunner, and Jesus is the Lamb of God who baptizes with the Spirit.

## Related Passages

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**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

## Study Questions

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1. Why do people sometimes seek spiritual truth yet resist it when clearly presented?
2. How does John the Baptist's example model faithful witness even to hostile audiences?

## Interlinear Text

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ὕμεῖς ἀπεστάλκατε πρὸς Ἰωάννην καὶ μεμαρτύρηκεν τῇ  
**Ye sent unto John and he bare witness** G3588  
G5210 G649 G4314 G2491 G2532 G3140

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**unto the truth**  
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