

12. (Week of February 11, 2018)

**Elijah and John the Baptist**

**Malachi 3:1; 4:1-6; Luke 1:5-17, 57-58, 67-80**

**Mark 1:1-11; John 1:19-28; Matthew 11:2-15; Mark 6:14-29**

**Memory Verse:** *“Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he”* (Matt. 11:11 ESV).

**Sun:** Malachi 3:1; 4:1-6 – How do these verses in Malachi form a bridge to the New Testament? What does the prophet say will be Elijah’s future role?

**Mon:** Luke 1:5-17 – In his announcement to Zechariah, how does the angel relate the future role of his son, John, to Elijah?

**Tue:** Luke 1:57-58, 67-80 – What does Zechariah prophesy about the future role of his son, John? How can we be like John?

**Wed:** Mark 1:1-11 – What parallels do you see between the ministry of John the Baptist and the ministry of Elijah?

**Thu:** John 1:19-28 – Why does John the Baptist deny that he is Elijah?

**Fri:** Matthew 11:2-15 – Why does Jesus affirm that John “is Elijah who is to come” (v. 14)? What can we learn from the example of John the Baptist?

**Sat:** Mark 6:14-29 – What parallels do you see between the ministry of John the Baptist and Elijah?

13. (Week of February 18, 2018)

**Elijah and Jesus**

**Matthew 16:13–17:13; Mark 15:33-39; Revelation 11:1-13**

**Memory Verse:** *“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him”* (Matt. 17:5b ESV).

**Sun:** Matthew 16:13-20 – How does verse 14 show that Elijah was a great man? How does this passage show Jesus to be greater than Elijah?

**Mon:** Matthew 16:21-28 – What would being the Messiah mean for Jesus? What will being the Messiah’s disciple mean for you?

**Tue:** Matthew 17:1-8 – Why do you think Moses and Elijah were privileged to appear on the Mount of Transfiguration with Jesus? How is Jesus shown to be greater than both Moses and Elijah?

**Wed:** Matthew 17:9-13 – Why did the disciples ask their question in verse 10? How does Jesus answer their question?

**Thu:** Mark 15:33-39 – Why do you think the bystanders thought Jesus was calling Elijah? How is Jesus shown to be greater than Elijah?

**Fri:** Revelation 11:1-13 – What parallels can you find between these two prophets and Moses and Elijah?

**Sat:** Review – What important lessons have you learned from this study of Elijah and Elisha? How has this study changed your life?