



THE OPENER

John 1

Jesus came to a **messed-up** world

- People in **pain**
- Great **confusion** about truth
- Spiritual “**hardness**”

John (the Baptizer) was sent to **prepare** the way *John 1:19-23*

1) Breaking up the **fallow** ground *Jeremiah 4:3, 4*

The root issue: **sin** *Luke 3:7-9*

2) Building on an ancient **promise** *Isaiah 40*

3) Bringing people to a **decision** *Luke 1:67-80*

Jesus baptism launched a **revolution** *Matthew 3:13-17*

LIFE-CHANGE MOMENT:

What would **break up** the hard areas in your heart?

Are you an **effective opener** for Jesus?