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What was Jesus proclaiming in **11:11**? *See Jn.3:5-6*

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He knows Jesus as the Lamb of God and the Son of God. First official recognition?!

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At that time he didn't know Him. See Mt.3:13-17 for further details of His revealing.

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I testified (to Sanhedrin, 1:26), He is coming. My mission was/is to reveal Him to Israel.

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At the baptism of Christ, the Holy Spirit, like a dove, descended and remained on Him.

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After ~1 year/prison, feels abandoned, confused (King?), seeks confirmation. Like us!

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Tell John what you hear/see! Compare it with Scripture! Let that be your comfort!!

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Blessed is the one who does not stumble over me. John just needed to be encouraged!

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John was not intimidated, not living luxury. Prophet? Yes/he was more than a prophet.

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He was privileged to be the forerunner of Christ, the announcer that Messiah was here!

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John was greatest of human birth. But those spiritually born, even least, are greater!

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All prophets and the Law suffer violence and violent men. Jesus, The Prophet will also.

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For those who are willing to hear/accept it, John is Elijah who was to come. Per Mal.4.