



The people were waiting expectantly, and they all wondered if John might be the Messiah. How did John answer them?

Follow the directions to see what John said they would be baptized with.

Begin with: **WATER**

Reverse the letters:

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Change "E" to "I" and add "WHOLE" to the front:

\_\_\_\_\_

Insert "SPICE" between "E" and "R":

\_\_\_\_\_

Remove "W"s and "C":

\_\_\_\_\_

Change the "E"s to "Y"s:

\_\_\_\_\_

Remove the 2nd "Y" and the last letter:

\_\_\_\_\_

"I baptize you with water.  
But One who is more powerful than I will come ...  
He will baptize you with the

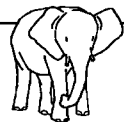
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# John Prepares the Way

The crowds came out to be baptized by John. What did he say to them?

Write the name of each picture. Then fill in the blanks.



\_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_



3 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_ 10 \_\_\_\_\_ 11 \_\_\_\_\_

"You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with

\_\_\_\_\_."

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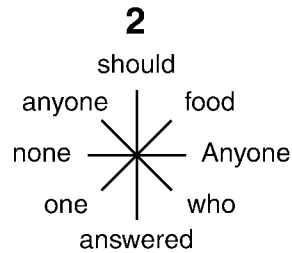
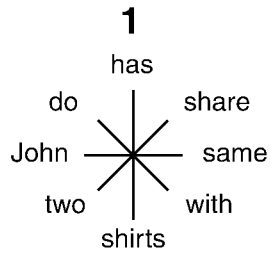
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**RJRG65**

“What should we do then?” the crowd asked.

Match the code with the words to fill in the blanks.

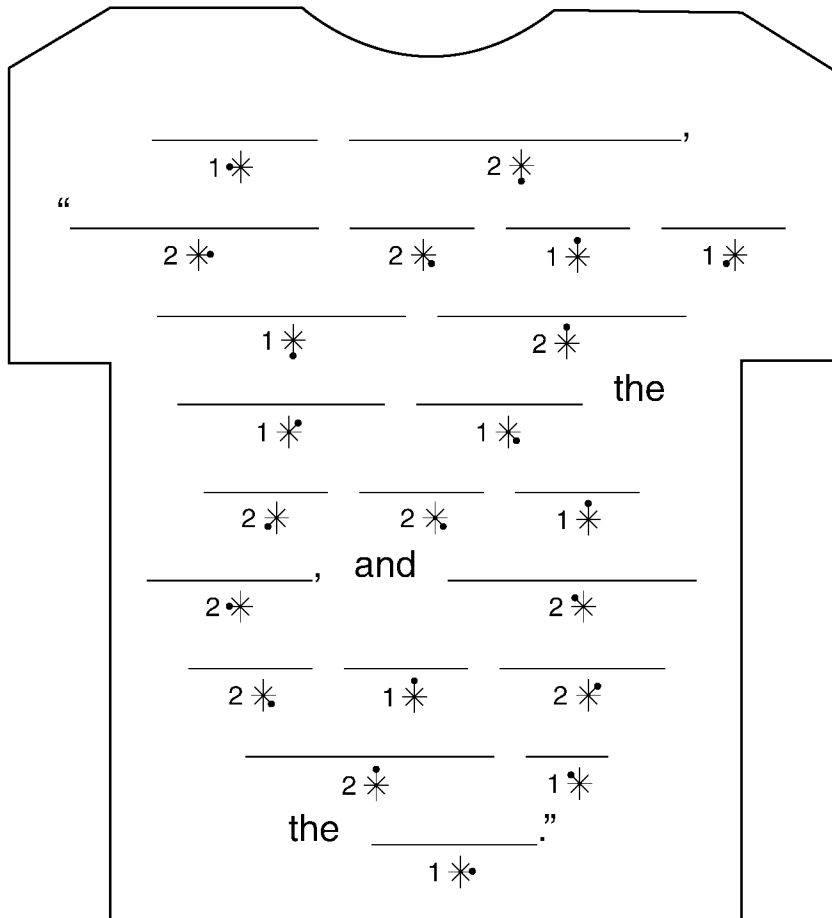


What else did John say?

Solve the math problems to fill in the blanks below.  
Then use the code to fill in the blanks.

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|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| 1 = I | 4 = U | 7 = F | 10 = O |
| 2 = E | 5 = X | 8 = S | 11 = R |
| 3 = C | 6 = T | 9 = A |        |

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|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| $\oplus$ 2 + 3 = ___         | $\diamond$ 6 + 4 = ___   | $\blacksquare$ 3 - 1 = ___ |
| $\blacktriangle$ 8 - 5 = ___ | $\square$ 7 - 3 = ___    | $\bullet$ 5 + 4 = ___      |
| $\circ$ 4 + 4 = ___          | $\heartsuit$ 9 - 8 = ___ | $\triangle$ 3 + 3 = ___    |
| $\nabla$ 6 + 5 = ___         | $*$ 9 - 2 = ___          |                            |



“The \_\_\_ \_\_\_ is already at the



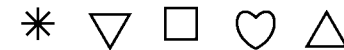
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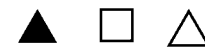
and every \_\_\_ \_\_\_ that does not produce



good \_\_\_ \_\_\_ will be



\_\_\_ \_\_\_ down and



thrown into

the fire.”

