



Key Scripture:

John 14:12 NIV

I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in Me will do what I have been doing.
He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

Greater than John the Baptist

Matthew 11:7-11 NLT

7 As John's disciples were leaving, Jesus began talking about him to the crowds.
"What kind of man did you go into the wilderness to see? Was he a weak reed, swayed by every breath of wind? 8 Or were you expecting to see a man dressed in expensive clothes? No, people with expensive clothes live in palaces. 9 Were you looking for a prophet? Yes, and he is more than a prophet. 10 John is the man to whom the Scriptures refer when they say, 'Look, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, and he will prepare your way before you.' 11 "I tell you the truth, of all who have ever lived, none is greater than John the Baptist. Yet even the least person in the Kingdom of Heaven is greater than he is!

Old Greater versus New Greater

✓ **Behold the Kingdom to come. < Brought into the Kingdom.**

Colossians 1:13-14 TLB

13 For He has rescued us out of the darkness and gloom of Satan's kingdom and brought us into the Kingdom of His dear Son,
14 who bought our freedom with His blood and forgave us all our sins.

✓ **Proclaimed the Sacrifice. < Possess benefits of the Sacrifice.**

1 John 4:10 NLT

This is real love—not that we loved God,
but that He loved us and sent His Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.

✓ **Told of the signs. < Told signs will accompany believers.**

Matthew 11:4-5 NLT

4 Jesus told them, "Go back to John and tell him what you have heard and seen—
5 the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cured, the deaf hear,
the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor.

Mark 16:17 NLT

These miraculous signs will accompany those who believe:

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GREATER>

Less Is GREATER

Principles of Greater...

1. Embrace your assignment.

John 1:19-23 NLT

19 This was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders sent priests and Temple assistants from Jerusalem to ask John, "Who are you?"

20 He came right out and said, "I am not the Messiah."

21 "Well then, who are you?" they asked. "Are you Elijah?" "No," he replied.
"Are you the Prophet we are expecting?" "No."

22 "Then who are you? We need an answer for those who sent us.
What do you have to say about yourself?"

23 John replied in the words of the prophet Isaiah:

"I am a voice shouting in the wilderness,
'Clear the way for the Lord's coming!'"

2. Find the joy in being the best man.

John 3:28-29 NLT

28 You yourselves know how plainly I told you, 'I am not the Messiah.

I am only here to prepare the way for him.' 29 It is the bridegroom who marries the bride, and the best man is simply glad to stand with him and hear his vows.

Therefore, I am filled with joy at his success.

3. Live with less of you and more of Christ.

John 3:30 NLT

He must become greater and greater, and I must become less and less.

Galatians 2:20 NKJV

20 I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me;
and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God,
who loved me and gave Himself for me.

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