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John 3:22-30

JOHN'S ATTITUDE

- ***It's all a gift***
- ***It's not about me***
- ***I know my place***
 - I exist to honor Him
 - This brings me great pleasure

I'm more likely to live a life of gratitude (and less likely to live with an attitude of entitlement) as I:

RECOGNIZE THE SOURCE

REALIZE MY PLACE

REJOICE IN HIS HONOR



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