Look! The Lamb of God: John 1:29-42

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INTRODUCTION TO THE MESSAGE

REVIEW: What John is about and John 1:1-28

EXPOSITION:

[The Day after the Baptist Testified to a Delegation from Jerusalem] He Called Jesus the Lamb of God who Takes away the World's Sin (1:29)

The same author (John) says in 1 John 2:2 that Christ not only satisfied God's righteousness regarding sin for believers, but did so for the whole world (including unbelievers).

And He Himself is the propitiation for <u>our sins</u>, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

This is why, at the Great White Throne, sins of unbelievers are not mentioned. Unbelievers will be condemned for not having life (because they are not in the Lamb's book of life)

The Baptist Said Jesus Is Who He Had Announced, saying the 2 Christ Outranks the Baptist, because He Pre-existed him (1:30)

The Baptist (though humanly related to Jesus) Had Not Known Before—that He Is Messiah (Christ) (1:31a)

Luke 1:36 says John's mother and Mary were related

John Baptized w/ Water to Make Christ Known to Israel (1:31b)

God Told John that the One upon Whom the Spirit Descended Is God's Son, who Would Baptize with the Holy Spirit (1:32-33)

John saw the Spirit descend on Jesus when he baptized Him: Matthew 3:16

John Testified that He Saw the Spirit Descend on Jesus, so He is God's Son (1:34)

[Two Days after John Testified to a Jerusalem Delegation] 3 he Told Two of his Disciples: Look the Lamb of God (1:35-36)

John wanted his disciples to become Jesus' disciples

We see this from both John 1 and John 3

The Two Disciples [Andrew and John(?)] Followed Jesus, Who Asked What They Sought (1:37-38a)

Verse 40 says Andrew was one of Jesus' first two disciples.

John 21:24 says that John (the author) testifed (as a courtroom witness) to the book's events. He would appear to be the other disciple.

Matthew 4:18ff (when Jesus told Peter, Andrew, James and John—who were mending fishing nets: I will make you fishers of men) happened after John the Baptist was imprisoned (Matthew 4:12). John 1:29-42 was when these four first met Jesus. Matthew 4:18ff is **NOT** the first meeting.

John and Andrew Asked, "Rabbi, Where Are You Staying?" 4 They Then Followed Him (1:38b-39)

It is significant that they addressed Him as Rabbi (teacher)

The Greek says that it was about the tenth hour.

Andrew Found his Brother, Simon, and Told him that They Had Found the Messiah (the Christ) (1:40-41)

All of John 1:19-42 occurs in the same local, *Bethany beyond* the Jordan. We discussed briefly last week evidence for viewing the Bethany east of the Jordan as a reference to Batanea (a Roman province which has the Sea of Galilee and the Jordan River as its western boundaries—known as Bashan in the OT)

Since John 1:40-41 occurs before Jesus returns to Galilee, we infer that Simon Peter was also a disciple of John the Baptist

Andrew Brought Simon to Jesus, Who Said that He Would Call Him Cephas or Peter (Pebble) (1:42)

CONCLUSION