

The Lamb of God John 1:19-34 Steve Holdaway, LifeSpring Church 03.06.16

John 1:19-29 ESV

19 And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" 20 He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." 21 And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." 22 So they said to him, "Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" 23 He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said."

24 (Now they had been sent from the Pharisees.) 25 They asked him, "Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?" 26 John answered them, "I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, 27 even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." 28 These things took place in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing. 29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

PROCLAMATION

Every believer will have to answer the question, "Who are you?" (19-23)

IDENTIFICATION

God always provides a witness to the identity of Jesus. (32-34)

PROPITIATION

Jesus is the only One who has the authority to take away your sin. (29)

Sin: (biblical definitions) <u>Hamartia</u>: "to miss the mark"—the general Greek word for sin <u>Parabasis</u>: "to intentionally cross the line" (transgression) <u>Anomia</u>: "lawlessness"—willfully breaking the rules <u>Agnoeema</u>: "ignorance when one should have known"

Jesus mission statement: "To take away the sin of the world"

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Who is John? 1:19-23

What was unique about John the Baptist that prompted the Jews and Levites to ask John about his identity?

Each of the various persons in this dialogue are tied to the OT In what way was John like these? <u>Messiah:</u> Numbers 24:17; Jeremiah 23:5-6; Micah 5:2; Daniel 9:25; Isa 7:14; <u>Elijah:</u> 1 Kings 17:1-2 Kings 2:12; Malachi 4:5-6; Mark 1:6 <u>The Prophet:</u> Deuteronomy 18:15 <u>The Voice</u>: Isaiah 40:3-5

What is Baptism? 1:24-28

What was John's message and why did John say that he baptized? What was the difference between John's baptism and Jesus' baptism? (See also 1: 31, Mark 1:1-8)

Who is Jesus? 1:28-34

John identified Jesus in several ways? What do each of these mean?

Lamb of God (What was the OT correlation?) What does the lamb of God do?

<u>A Man</u>

What was is the significance of Jesus being before John (see also 1:1,15)

Son of God

What was unique about the baptism of Jesus that helped John conclude that Jesus is the Son of God? (Mark 1:9-12)

What is your testimony?

What is your testimony about who Jesus is and how did you become convince of that?

Share your story of how you trusted Jesus the Lamb of God and your baptism experience.