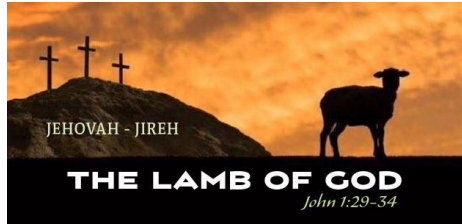


Expositional Preaching from the Authorized Version of the Holy Bible
 Current Book: John – verse by verse

Scriptures for Today: John 1:29-34 – Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God and the Son of God!

Today’s Message:

“The Lamb of God”



INTRODUCTION

Last week, we learned more about *the forerunner* of Jesus Christ – John the Baptist. He was born to bring God glory! John understood his great privilege to prepare God’s people for His Lord’s arrival. Today, John will declare one of the most important messages of His life – “Behold the Lamb of God!” What a statement! What a **TRUTH!** As we will be reminded today, this is just one of the incredible pictures from the Old Testament that **POINT** to Jesus Christ! In this passage, we will see Jesus Christ is *the glorious Lamb of God*, and He is *the Son of God* – God the Son! This is God’s message to you...

LEARNING TOGETHER

A. The Text John 1:29-34

#1. The Lamb – the destiny of Jesus Christ was God’s great SACRIFICE for sin!

BEHOLD **THE LAMB OF GOD**, WHICH TAKETH AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD

- ✓ The **lamb** is found throughout the Old Testament always pointing to Jesus Christ!
 - **Gen 3:21** – “Unto Adam also and to his wife did the **LORD God make coats of SKINS...**”
 - **Gen 4:4**– “And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his **FLOCK...**
 And the **LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering...**”
 - **Gen 22:1-14** – “And Issac spake unto Abraham... Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the **LAMB** for a burnt offering? And Abraham said, **My son, GOD WILL PROVIDE HIMSELF A LAMB** for a burnt offering...”
 - **Ex 12:1-14** – “Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying... they shall take to them **every man a lamb**, according to the house of their fathers, **a lamb for an house... for the lamb... for the lamb... YOUR lamb** shall be...”
 - **Ex 12:13** – “And the **BLOOD shall be to you for a token** upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.”
 - **Isa 53:7** – “He is brought **as a LAMB to the slaughter**, and **as a SHEEP** before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.”

Important Note
 God shed the first blood in the Bible!
 A lamb for clothing.

Heb 1:3
 ... when he had by **HIMSELF** purged our sins...

Heb 9:26-10:12
 ... but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared **TO PUT AWAY SIN by the SACRIFICE OF HIMSELF.**

1Cor 5:7
 For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

1Pet 1:19
 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

Rev 5:6
 And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, **stood a Lamb as it had been slain...**

Rev 5:12
 Saying with a loud voice, **Worthy is the Lamb that was slain** to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Rev 19:7
 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for **the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.**

#2. The Testimony – John SAW the Holy Spirit descend and remain upon Christ.

JOHN BARE RECORD... I **SAW THE SPIRIT** DESCENDING FROM HEAVEN LIKE A DOVE

- ✓ God spoke directly to John the Baptist as to how he would **KNOW** Jesus was Christ!
 - In **Jn 1:31** and **Jn 1:33**, John makes it clear **he did not know who Jesus was previously**.
 - In **Jn 1:33**, John the Baptist said that **God spoke to him directly** with these details.
 - In **Mt 3:16** and **Mk 1:10**, this actually happened after **the baptism of Jesus Christ**.

THE SAME IS **HE** THAT **BAPTIZETH** WITH THE HOLY GHOST

- ✓ There are **SEVEN** different **baptisms** in the holy Bible.

Eph 1:13-14
In whom ye also trusted... ye were **sealed with the holy Spirit** of promise...

1Cor 12:13
For by one Spirit are we all baptized **into one body**...

- 1) The baptism of MOSES. **1 Cor 10:1-3** – a prophetic picture (only) of NT believer’s baptism.
- 2) The baptism of JOHN. **Mk 1:4; Jn 1:28** – a water baptism of repentance to prepare for Christ.
- 3) The baptism of JESUS. **Mt 3:13-17** – a humble example for His disciples (and us) to follow.
- 4) The baptism of FIRE. **Mt 3:11-12** – the judgment of God on sin; the lake of fire ultimately.
- 5) **The baptism of the HOLY SPIRIT. Jn 1:33** – a spiritual baptism of salvation; new life in Christ
- 6) The baptism of the CROSS. **Mk 10:35-39** – a foreshadow of suffering Jesus was to endure.
- 7) The baptism of BELIEVERS. **Mt 28:19** – a NT believer’s baptism by immersion in water.

#3. The Son of God – God sent John to bare record that Jesus IS God the SON!

AND I **SAW**, AND BARE RECORD THAT THIS IS **THE SON OF GOD**

- ✓ God had a purpose for John the Baptist: he was to point the Jews to **GOD** the Son!
 - **1:1** – “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”
 - **1:2** – “The same was in the beginning with God.”
 - **1:3** – “All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.”
 - **1:4** – “In him was life; and the life was the light of men.”
 - **1:6** – “There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.”
 - **1:9** – “That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.”
 - **1:12** – “But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God...”
 - **1:14** – “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory...”
 - **1:15** – “John bare witness of him... he... is preferred before me: for he was before me.”
 - **1:18** – “... the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.”
 - **1:19** – “And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priest and Levites... Who art thou?”
 - **1:23** – “I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord...”

Dan 3:25
...the fourth is like the Son of God.

Mt 4:3, 5
... If thou be the Son of God...

Mt 8:29
What have we to do with thee, Jesus, the Son of God?

Mt 14:33
Of a truth thou art the Son of God.

Mt 27:43
... for he said, I am the Son of God.

Mt 27:54
Truly this was the Son of God.

NOTE John was alive to point the Jews and the world to Jesus Christ; it is why you breath air also!

The Doctrine of Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ is not God’s Son in the sense of a human father and son. God did not get married and have a son. God did not have physical relations with Mary and, together with her, produce a son. Jesus is God’s Son in the sense that He is God made manifest in human form. Jesus is God’s Son in that He was conceived in Mary by the Holy Spirit. To be the Son of God is to be THE SAME NATURE as God. This is why the Jewish leaders wanted to kill Jesus when He claimed to be **the Son of God in John 19:7!** The Son of God is God the Son!