# Light & Life - The Book Of John "The Lamb Of God" John 1:15-34 Cornerstone Church Of Poway Pastor Ed Turley June 18, 2023

#### Which Jesus Do You Worship?

Social Jesus: Historical person, miracle worker, accepts & condones sin.

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#### **Big Idea:**

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John testifies concerning him. He cries out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because **he was before me**."<sup>16</sup> From the **fullness of His grace** we have all received one blessing after another. <sup>17</sup> For the law was given through Moses; **grace and truth came through Jesus Christ**. <sup>18</sup> No one has ever seen God, but **God the One and Only**, who is at the Father's side, **has made Him known**. John 1:15-18 (NIV)

## Some Background

- Exodus 12:1-14 The First Passover.
- Malachi 4:5-6 Forerunner to turn the hearts of the fathers back to their children.
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#### Who Is Jesus?

#### 1. Jesus Is The Lamb Of God

Now this was John's testimony when the Jews of Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask him who he was. <sup>20</sup> He did not fail to confess, but confessed freely, "I am not the Christ." <sup>21</sup> They asked him, "Then who are you? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No." <sup>22</sup> Finally they said, "Who are you? Give us an answer to take back to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" <sup>23</sup> John replied in the words of **Isaiah** the prophet, "I am the voice of one calling in the desert, 'Make straight the way for the Lord."" Is. 40:3 **John 1:19-23 (NIV)** 

<sup>24</sup> Now some Pharisees who had been sent <sup>25</sup> questioned him, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?" <sup>26</sup> "I baptize with water," John replied, "but among you stands one you do not know. <sup>27</sup> He is the one who

comes after me, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie." <sup>28</sup> This all happened at Bethany on the other side of the Jordan, where John was baptizing. **John 1:24-28 (NIV)** 

<sup>29</sup> The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' John 1:29-30 (NIV)

Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup> But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. <sup>6</sup> We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup> He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a **lamb to the slaughter**, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. **Isaiah 53:4-7 (NIV)** 

<sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup> Then John gave this testimony: "<u>I saw the Spirit</u> <u>come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him</u>. <sup>33</sup> I would not have known him, except that <u>the one</u> who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the <u>Spirit come down and remain</u> is he who will baptize with the <u>Holy Spirit</u>.' <sup>34</sup> I have seen and I testify that this is <u>the Son of God</u>."

But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. John 20:31 (NIV) Remember Verse

The **Spirit of the Sovereign LORD** is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, **Isaiah 61:1 (NIV)** 

Have you accepted Jesus as the Lamb of God who paid for your sins?

# My next right step, I will:

- [] Read & Journal through the Gospel of John devotional
- [] Accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior
- [] Follow Jesus in Believer's Baptism

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**Family Corner:** [Choose one day this week to ask questions to go deeper in faith as a family. Use the "\*" questions to keep it under 12 minutes.]

# Open in Prayer.

# Icebreaker:

Growing up, what was your favorite pet?

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## \* Read John 1:15-18

What does John the Baptist tell us about Jesus?

What blessings have you received through His grace?

What did the law give us?

What does Jesus give us?

# Read the background for this study. What do you learn?

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# Who Is Jesus? 1. Jesus Is The Lamb Of God Read John 1:19-28 What guestions do these priests and Levite's ask John?

What do these questions reveal about the reason why they were sent?

What does John say is his only purpose? 22,23,26,27; Isaiah 40:3-5

## \* Read John 1:29-30

What does John mean by calling Jesus the Lamb of God?

# Read Isaiah 53:4-7

What does this passage teach you about the coming Messiah?

## Read John 1:31-34

What does God tell John the Baptist that will identify who the savior will be?

What proof supports these claims?

Read Psalm 2:7 Read Isaiah 61:1

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Close in prayer.