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The Gospel of John
The Witness of John
John 1:19-34

After outlining the major themes of his Gospel, John transitions to his first theme, witness. John writes about seven witnesses in his Gospel. The first witness is John the Baptist. John was divinely appointed to bear witness to the truth Jesus and His ministry. John was sent before Jesus to prepare the hearts of God's people to receive Jesus's message. (See Luke 1) John's introduction is in a confrontation with the ruling and religious leaders of the day. In this conflict, John testifies that Jesus is the Messiah, the Lamb of God, and the Son of God.

Additional Verses:

Exodus 12 Isaiah 40:3, 53:7
Jeremiah 11:19 Matthew 11:14
Galatians 3:26, 4:4-7

Outline:

1. John states Jesus is the Messiah

2. John states Jesus is the Lamb of God

3. John states Jesus is the Son of God

Study Questions:

1. What type of Messiah did Israel desire? What type of Messiah did they need? How does Jesus meet their need and ours?

2. When you read the "lamb of God," which biblical passage, festival, or sacrifice came to your mind? How does that passage find its ultimate fulfillment in Jesus Christ?

3. What are two provisions of sacrifices? How is God's grace displayed in those provisions? What does this say about Jesus' sacrifice?

4. Why is Jesus the son of God? What does the Son do? How are we made a son of God? What rights and privileges do we have as a Son of God?

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?