

Encounter- He is the Lamb of God

Sermon Notes

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Read [John 1:29-34](#)

Jesus is the Lamb of God. [John 1:29](#)

- The first mentioning of a ram/sheep sacrifice is found in [Genesis 22:12-18](#).
 - Moses by faith is willing to sacrifice his one (chosen), and only son.
 - He is told to do so on Mt Moriah.
 - God provides a substitutionary ram.
 - Moses renames the place Jehovah Jireh—the Lord will provide.
- Jesus, the one and only Son of God, is revealed as the Lamb.
 - He is the offspring of Abraham.
 - He is tried, beaten, crucified, and resurrected on Mt Moriah, *“on the mountain of the Lord it will be provided.”* [Genesis 22:14](#)
 - He becomes the substitutionary lamb for you and me.
 - Thus, all nations are blessed—promise fulfilled!

Jesus is God’s Chosen One. [John 1:34](#)

- He is the one first prophesied about in [Genesis 3:15](#).
- He is from the line of Isaac, Jacob, Judah, and house of David.
- He is God’s Son—one and only. Chosen to be the once and for all sacrifice for mankind.

The purpose of John and John is to reveal Jesus. [John 1:31](#)

- John the Baptist is the first to see the glory of Jesus.
- His sole purpose was to prepare hearts to “see” him—Reveal him!
 - He was the one to unveil the true identity of Jesus.
 - **Story:** revealing Jesus as God to a group of 4th graders in SA, began with a single question over a chess match.
 - The lightbulbs came on—Jesus revealed!

Don’t miss seeing Jesus at work.

- We are told to “look”. (29) [Chi Alpha- Scott story]
- John the Baptist could have missed him—it was his cousin.
 - He knew for sure at Jesus’ baptism because of God’s pre-work of the Holy Spirit in John.
 - He had a sense before the baptism—“*unworthy to untie his sandals*”, yet he did not know him. (31)
- We are given confidence through eyewitnesses. (34)
- When we see or have an encounter with Jesus, say something!
 - We behave about our faith as if we are in Tehran, Iran.
 - John and John testified to what they had seen.
 - Others benefit when we do.
 - Your oikos needs to hear your Jesus encounters to know he is Lamb of God.

Jesus is at work and people need to see the hope that he brings!

Prayer

Song “*Living Hope*”

Discussion Guide:

1. If you were to point to Jesus and identify him to someone in your oikos, what descriptor would you use? John used “*Lamb of God*” and “*The Chosen One.*” Explain your answer and why that would help someone know who Jesus is.
2. What Jesus encounters have you had in the past week that clearly shows he is at work around you?
3. What Jesus encounters have you experienced would be a good testimony to others in revealing who Jesus is?
4. For further study: Read Genesis 22:1-19. Identify and discuss the parallels between this text and the life of Jesus in the Gospels.