



**September 20, 2015 | Lamb, Messiah, King, Son of Man | John 1:19-51**

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**John the Baptist points to Jesus. Read John 1:19–28.**

[Q] From John 1:23, 26-27 and Isaiah 40:3-5, what is John the Baptist's goal in life? How does he fulfill it in this passage?

[Q] Why do you think the Jewish leaders were quizzing John the Baptist?

**Jesus is the Lamb of God. Read John 1:29-34.**

In John 1:29 John the Baptist declares who Jesus is and what Jesus does.

[Q] Read Exodus 12:1– 14. What connections do you see between this description of Jesus and the grace God showed His people in instituting the Passover ritual?

[Q] What does John 1:29 say about what our world needs? If you agree, how does your life reflect this?

**Jesus is the Messiah, the Anointed One. Read John 1:35-42.**

[Q] After leaving John the Baptist to follow Jesus, what did Andrew do?

(If you have time: [Q] Who did Andrew bring in John 6:8-9 and John 12:20–22?)

[Q] The Old Testament repeatedly speaks about the coming Messiah, the coming king or “anointed one.” Isaiah 9:6–7 sums up many of these expectations. What does this Old Testament passage teach us to expect from the Messiah?

## Jesus is the King. Read John 1:43-51.

[Q] How does Jesus demonstrate His power in v. 48?

[Q] *King of Israel* is an Old Testament designation for the Messiah. What do you learn about the King of Israel from Zephaniah 3:15? How might this knowledge affect your prayers?

## Jesus is the Son of Man. John 1:51

[Q] Read Daniel 7:13-14. What is Jesus revealing by calling Himself the Son of Man? How does this give you hope?

Jesus' huge pronouncement recalls the story of Jacob's dream in Genesis 28:10-17.

[Q] Jesus reveals that He is the ladder that links heaven and earth. In today's culture, what "ladders" do people try to build between heaven and earth, attempting to bypass Jesus as Savior?

## Apply

[Q] Scan John 1 for the many names or descriptions of Jesus. We've only looked at a few. Which of the names or attributes of Jesus has the most significance to you right now?

[Q] In what ways will knowing and trusting *who* Jesus is make a difference to you this week? Be specific.

## BLESS:

LISTEN: Think about the people you have set aside to pray for – in what ways can *listening* to them impact your prayer for them? What will you do this week to listen better?

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## Take it Further:

What more do you learn about the Lamb in Isaiah 53:7; 1 Peter 1:19; Rev. 5:6–13; 7:17; 21:22–23; 22:1–3? If you have a BLESS story, email it to Mike Guersch at [mguersch@valleycommunity.cc](mailto:mguersch@valleycommunity.cc).