

John #7

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**“This is the Witness of John” Pt. II  
“Behold, the Lamb of God”**

**Intro:** This morning we will continue to study the events of the historic week that marked the beginning of our Lord’s public ministry, in which John the Baptist continued to \_\_\_\_\_ as to the fact that Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_. As previously noted in the introduction of this gospel, the Apostle John spoke of the John Baptist saying, vss. 6-8 & 15, “There came a man, sent from God, whose name was \_\_\_\_\_. 7 He came for a witness, that he might bear witness of the light, that all might believe through him. 8 He was not the light, but came that he might \_\_\_\_\_ witness of the light. ... John bore \_\_\_\_\_, and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.'"

**John 1:29**

**I.** Just as God foreordained and \_\_\_\_\_ John the Baptist to go as a forerunner before Christ, so as to make ready a people prepared for the Lord, he faithfully and unashamedly bore \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ proclaiming that:

**A.** \_\_\_\_\_ the Lamb of God.

**1.** All Israel was familiar with the \_\_\_\_\_ of animals for from the beginning, in the Garden of Eden, immediately following Adam and Eve’s fall into sin, the Lord illustrated that ones’ sin could be atoned for only through an \_\_\_\_\_ substitutionary sacrifice.

**a.** In the first four books of the Bible, the concept of the sacrificial lamb is \_\_\_\_\_ presented over and over and by the will of God was abundantly \_\_\_\_\_ to the Jewish people.

**2.** God made it abundantly clear that our sin could only be removed as an \_\_\_\_\_. One shed His \_\_\_\_\_ in our place, taking the guilt of our sin upon Himself. And, He also made it abundantly clear that \_\_\_\_\_ Himself would \_\_\_\_\_ that perfect sacrificial Lamb; the very Lamb of God. And, John the Baptist declared that the Jesus of Nazareth was *the* \_\_\_\_\_ of God!

**B.** \_\_\_\_\_ is the Lamb of God who \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world!

**1.** Here “sin” refers to any \_\_\_\_\_ or transgression in relation to God and emphasizes the \_\_\_\_\_ of the transgression.

- a. "\_\_\_\_\_ have sinned and fall short of the glory of God!" (Romans 3:23). Who is without \_\_\_\_\_? (Cf. Romans 3:9-18)
- b. "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal \_\_\_\_\_ Christ \_\_\_\_\_ our Lord" (Romans 6:23). There is One who can take away the sin of the world - your sin and mine - and He is the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
- c. Only \_\_\_\_\_ Himself could \_\_\_\_\_ such a sacrifice. And, this what He did for "in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God", and "the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, ... the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth." And "the Father sent the Son to be the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world!" How can the Lamb of God be the Savior of the World? He takes away our sin! (Cf. John 1:1, 14, 29; 1 John 4:14)

2. The words "takes away" mean "to take up and \_\_\_\_\_ away, to \_\_\_\_\_ by carrying." Jesus, the perfect Lamb of God, took our sins upon Himself and bore the \_\_\_\_\_ of God due us for our sins in His body on the cross. (Cf. 1 Peter 2:24).

a. Isaiah 53:5 prophetically says that "He was \_\_\_\_\_ through for our transgressions, He was \_\_\_\_\_ for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_' from sin.

3. When the Baptist said that the Lamb of God takes away the sin of the \_\_\_\_\_ he was foretelling that \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ people, and not to the Jewish state alone.

Conclusion: Church, this is the testimony of John the Baptist: Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ is "the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." There is no other \_\_\_\_\_ to come to the Father but through Him (cf. Jo. 14:6).

It is only as we believe upon the Lord Jesus Christ that our sins are \_\_\_\_\_ and we are saved.

If you have not believed, \_\_\_\_\_ the Scriptural truth of Jesus Christ today, and \_\_\_\_\_ for the forgiveness of sin, and live your life in obedience to Christ, doing the will of God. If you will believe upon the Lord Jesus Christ, your sins will be washed away by the blood of the sacrificial Lamb of God. And, if you have already come to believe that Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, then follow John the Baptist's example and \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_!

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