

“Behold, the Lamb of God!”

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Introduction:

- A. John 1:29, 34-36
- B. Before this world was ever formed, God had been working toward a specific moment in time. Every act of creation, every event in the history of the world, everything God ever did or said to humankind since Adam drew his first breath was leading up to the moment when John would announce the beginning of the ministry of the Savior of the world.
- C. Heb. 10:7-17; Eph. 1:3-9

I. THE COMING OF THE LAMB

- A. The Lamb foretold - Isa. 53:6-7
 - 1. It is our role to continue to announce the Lamb - Acts 8:32-35
- B. Jesus understood His mission - Matt. 20:17-19
 - 1. He wants us to tell others of His mission - Acts 3:12-15, 18-19
- C. For the sake of humankind, He completed His mission - 2Cor. 8:9
 - 1. He wants us to tell others that He completed it - Heb. 2:9-10, 9:15
- D. We are responsible for His mission to this world
 - 1. Rom. 5:14-15, 19; 1Cor. 15:21-22; Ecc. 7:29; Ez. 28:15
 - 2. We need to tell others that though we are responsible for His mission in this world, we are also blessed by it - 1Thes. 5:9; 1Peter 3:18

II. THE LAMB IS ALSO A LION

- A. Christ as the Lamb of God is misunderstood, often by those who think they know Him best - Matt. 15:12-16; Mark 8:17-21
- B. Some view the Savior as a weak lamb dependent on them for protection and effectiveness - Matt. 26:51-54; 27:29-44
 - 1. He is also a lion - Rev. 5:5-6, 1:13-18
- C. Most people view Jesus as loved by all - John 3:19-21; 15:22-25
 - 1. The majority chose otherwise - Matt. 7:13-14
 - 2. Even those who professed to be nearest to Him chose otherwise
 - a. Luke 22:31-34
- D. Many believers think Jesus was crucified by the will of man - Matt. 27:20-26
 - 1. It was God's will - Acts 2:22-23
 - 2. Jesus chose to be crucified. Is that the choice of a lion or a lamb?
 - a. John 10:14-18

Conclusion:

- A. Understand that the Lamb chose to come to this world and completed His mission, and that the Lamb is also a Lion - 1Cor. 14:20; Col. 1:9-11
- B. The Lamb Who is also a Lion has two hands. In which hand are you?
 - 1. Matt. 25:31-34, 41