

# **You Are Special**

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John 1:29 (ESV)

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

John 1:1, 14 Jesus is God!

John 1:3 Jesus is Creator!

Now we see Jesus proclaimed the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. With this statement the OT is nailed shut! The OT temple worship, the OT sacrifices, the OT feasts ceased to be necessary.

To the non-Jew and even the non-Christian, the statement "The Lamb of God" is erroneously interpreted. The non-Christian see Jesus as a sweet, lovable, harmless little lamb.



Now dim lights.

However this is not the picture John the Baptist had in mind. John was referring to the OT sacrificial lamb. These lambs we sacrificed daily plus other specific times to atone or cover the sins of the people. Thousands upon thousands of lambs were sacrificed over the history of the Jews. So when John said, “Behold, the Lamb of God,” this is the picture he had in mind.



Jesus is the final lamb; the final payment for sin.

Walk over and sit under the cross.

We are in awe of the price Jesus paid. At the foot of the cross is where we receive forgiveness, acceptance, and eternal life. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Why did Jesus do this? Because “you are special”!

But this is not the end. This is the beginning. We are not to stay at the foot of the cross. We are to move from the cross with power and authority.

Turn lights on – Get up and move from cross.

John 1:33 (ESV)

This is HE (Jesus) who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.

Jesus died for our sins, but HE also died to give us the Promise of the Father, The Holy Spirit. In the next few weeks we are going to see John proclaim the Promise of the Holy Spirit over and over in chapters 4, 7, 14, 15, 16, and 17. But for now we will look at one verse.

John 14:26 (ESV)

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

Therefore we are not stay at the cross. Jesus will baptize, fill us with the Holy Spirit. We are to move out with the authority and power of the Holy Spirit!





You are special! Through Jesus you have the authority and power of the Holy Spirit!

Look at how God has qualified us.

2 Corinthians 5:21 (NASB95)

He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

### **Prophetic Team**

**Hear from the Holy Spirit to change the current situation or impact the future!**