John 1:19-51 Part 2

Description

Who are you?

The great thing is that when Jesus came out of the crowd John spoke up and said `Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world` (John 1:29). John immediately points men to Jesus. He does not say `look at me` or `I told you so`, he says â??Behold the lamb of Godâ?¦` If we want to put a label on this then we could call this â??missionâ??, mission is pointing Jesus out in a crowd, it is not about me but all about Jesus the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

John always pointed people to Jesus. John had a testimony, he saw the Spirit descending and remaining on Jesus and in that instance knew that this man was the Messiah. No man or woman can dispute the power of personal testimony. When we talk about the spiritual we all need to have a testimony of what we have seen and witnessed concerning Jesus. John saw and recognised Jesus because of this testimony. He said `He who comes after me is preferred before me. His shoe strap I am not worthy to even stoop down and unloose`.What we see next is a clear demonstration of not I but Christ. Our permanent testimony always needs to be pointing people to Jesus.We read that John was standing with two of his disciples and looked and said `Behold the Lamb of God` then the passage says â??they heard him speak (that is John) and they followed Jesusâ?• . Do the things that I say point people to Jesus? John was prepared to let go of his own followers for the greater cause. Discipleship requires that I equip those that God has given me and not to brainwash them. True discipleship is that we equip people to point out Jesus the Messiah in the crowd of life. What these two disciples of John heard was a truth that this man Jesus was someone worth following and He was someone worth finding out about. What they heard from John was not `oh look the lamb of God` but `Look! , the Lamb of God` I believe there was an urgency, a determined spiritual cry that said `I know this man to be the Christ, I can testify to the fact that I saw heaven opened and the spirit of God descending and remaining on this man. For sure He is the Christ`. It was as a result of that urgent cry `Look the Lamb of God who takes away the Sin of the world`, that these two disciples of John left John to follow Jesus. The urgent cry created a thirst in these two people so that they had no choice but to follow the man that John pointed out in the crowd. Do the things that we do and the things we say create a thirst in others so that they follow Christ and not us or are we only interested in them hanging onto our every word?

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