

## BIBLE STUDY: LESSON 3

1. Scripture of Lesson: John 1: 19~34
2. Further testimony of John the Baptist
  - a. About himself: "I am the voice of one calling in the desert, *Make straight the way for the Lord.*" [Isaiah 40:3]--What does it mean by making straight the way for the Lord and who is the Lord?
  - b. John's baptism was in water; Jesus' baptism was to be with the Holy Spirit.
  - c. Confirmation of revelation John had received about Christ: visible descent of Spirit in the form *like a dove* on Jesus.
3. John's humble ministry
  - a. John's humility as a servant sent by God.
  - b. Clear revelation of Christ whom he was sent to testify
  - c. Obedience to the voice of the Lord
4. Jesus as the Lamb of God
  - a. Animal sacrifice and the one-time sacrifice of the Lamb of God: Heb 9:13-15, 9:28, 10:10
  - b. The role of animal sacrifice in Moses' law and the Jewish dilemma in present day
5. Jesus as the baptizer with Holy Spirit
  - a. Related prophesy: Joel 2:28-29
  - b. Who is Holy Spirit? Spirit of God who emanates from God; a person of Trinity
    - i. John 14: 26, 15:26
  - c. Descent of the Holy Spirit on the NT church as promised: Acts 2
6. Jesus the Son of God
  - a. Revelation revealed
    - i. To John the Baptist: John 1: 34
    - ii. To Nathaniel: John 1: 49
    - iii. To evil spirits: Matt 8:29
    - iv. To disciples: Matt 14:33
    - v. To Peter: Matt 16:16
    - vi. To Martha: John 11: 27
    - vii. To centurion: Matt 27:54
    - viii. To John: John 20:31
    - ix. Self-declaration: John 5: 25-26
  - b. Roles of persons of Trinity
    - i. God the Father: Creator/ planner/ master
    - ii. God the Son: Implementer/ high priest
    - iii. God the Spirit: Helper/ immanent presence
  - c. What about revelation to us? How do we understand God and Jesus Christ?