

John the Baptizer - Jesus' Ministry Begins - John 1:19-51

- John's Identity sought by the Jewish leaders
 - Not the Redeemer, the promised messiah, not the Christ
 - Not Elias (Elijah), but like him—Malachi 4:5; Luke 1:17
 - Not the PROPHET Duet. 18:15-22; Luke 1:75-77
- Ok, who are you?
 - A voice
 - Crying in the wilderness
 - Make straight the way of the LORD—Isaiah 40:3
- Why are you baptizing? Lev. 16:4, 23-24
 - It's only water
 - But ONE is among you—whom you do not recognize
 - ONE baptizes with the Holy Spirit
- John's testimony
 - He saw Him coming
 - He said, the LAMB of God—who takes away the sin of the world
Matthew 1:21
 - I had been told; the Holy Spirit would descend as a dove and rest upon HIM. I then recognized Him. (A sign)
- John Identifies Jesus as the LAMB of God to others, this is ONE
 - Two of John's disciples follow Jesus
 - Andrew and John the writer
 - Andrew tells his brother Simon. "We" found the Messiah
 - Phillip and Nathanael are picked up in Galilee, Nathanael states;
 - You are, the Son of God
 - King of Israel
 - But Jesus speaks of Himself as the Son of Man Matt. 12:32; 16:13
 - You will see! Heavens opened
 - Angels, ascending and descending on the Son of Man