

BEHOLD THE LAMB

John 1:35-37

“...and John (the Baptist), stood with two of his disciples, and looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, ‘Behold the Lamb of God’. The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.”

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These words are challenging.

Firstly, John the Baptist ‘looked upon Jesus’. It is only as we, too, look upon Christ Jesus in the Word that we can “*grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ*” (2 Peter 3.18). It is only as we ourselves focus upon Him in daily devotion and trust that we can speak of Him to others. John the Baptist looked on Jesus and so pointed others to behold Him also.

The witness of the Lord Jesus that flows out of a personal beholding will be the witness that draws others to behold Him also.

‘Behold Jesus’ was John’s message; not a message of philosophy, or method, but of HIM, the personal Christ.

These are simple but profound verses. John ‘beheld’ and his sole purpose and message was to bring others to ‘look upon’ Jesus and ‘see’ that this Man was, indeed, “...the LAMB OF GOD who takes away the sin of the world!” (1:29) The others “*heard him speak and they followed Jesus*”. (1.37)

May our prayer be: Oh Father, please grant that others may look
upon and follow the Lord Jesus because they heard me speak.