



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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John 1:35-42 Study Hints for Discussion

[Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further](#) below are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The [Class Preparation Guide](#) includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class; then, they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible lesson. And/Or, consider giving each student the [Verse-by-Verse Scripture Handout](#), which includes the Bible verses to be studied before class and other questions.

1. Why do you think John emphasized to his disciples that Jesus is the Lamb of God?

The Holy Spirit and John knew that everyone’s major problem in life is their own personal sins and the sins of others around them. A change of people’s direction from self-centeredness to Christ-centeredness is needed more than changes in political leaders.

2. Do you think people need the Lamb of God today? Why or why not?

Yes. Our primary problems are the same today as in days past. Because more people reside on the earth today and we have more means and varieties of ways to abuse, destroy, and sin against ourselves and others we need the Lamb of God to change peoples’ lives even more today.

3. When you come to Jesus, what are you looking for? Think of three things you would like to have from Jesus.

To be taught by Him and conformed to His image. Three personal responses.

4. To be disciples of Jesus, what do people need to do?

They need to receive Him and believe in Him as the Bible reveals Him. They need the Holy Spirit to indwell them and help them understand and apply what the Bible teaches, especially the New Testament.

5. Jesus changed Simon into Peter, the “rock.” What are three ways Jesus can change His disciples today?

Jesus can cleanse them and fill them with His Spirit and His love. Jesus can give them the courage and wisdom to witness for Him in the right way and in the right time. Jesus can give them the gift of eternal life now and forever in the Kingdom of God.

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