

Lesson 3: John 1:19-34

1. John the Baptist's 1st Testimony:

- a. Read John 1:19-28.
- b. What is John's message?
- c. What is John's attitude?

2. John the Baptist's 2nd Testimony:

- a. Read John 1:29-34.
 - 1) What is John's message?
 - 2) How does John know who Jesus is?
- b. What two mysteries are revealed at Jesus baptism?
 - 1) Jesus is the _____ (Matthew 3:16).
 - 2) The _____ (Matthew 3:16-17).
- c. Why is the concept of the _____ so important to the Christian faith?
 - 1) If the _____ does not exist then we are worshipping a _____ by worshipping Jesus.
 - a) Read Exodus 20:3-5, yet what does John 3:16, John 14:6, and Acts 4:12 require us to do?
 - 1- The word "Trinity" comes from the Latin word *trinitas*, which means threefold or three-in-one. It is the word used by Christians "to designate the threefold manifestation of the one God as _____, _____, and _____" (Walter A. Elwell, *Evangelical Dictionary of Theology, Second Edition* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2001), p502).
 - 2- One could not worship Jesus without violating the Ten Commandments if not for the fact that Jesus is _____ just as the Father and the Holy Spirit are ____: each "with distinct personal attributes, but without division of _____, _____, or _____" (*The Baptist Faith and Message*, 2000, p7).
 - 3- The Trinity is not a _____ (i.e. by addition) but rather a _____ (i.e. by multiplication) – not $1 + 1 + 1 = 1$, but rather $1 \times 1 \times 1 = 1$ (Caner and Caner).

- b) This perceived dilemma is eradicated by the Bible's own testimony concerning the truth of the Trinity:
- 1- "Elohim," which is used by Moses over 500 times in the OT, is a _____ noun:
 - a- Genesis 1:26: "Let ____ make man in ____ image, after ____ likeness"
 - b- Man is a _____ being (1 Thessalonians 5:23).
 - 2- "echad" or _____ unity vs. "yachad" or _____ unity:
 - a- Deuteronomy 6:4.
 - b- God is a _____ being (Matthew 3:16-17).
- 2) If the _____ does not exist then Jesus' _____ was a _____.
- a) Read John 4:25-26, John 5:17-18, John 10:30-33.
 - b) If Jesus' life was a lie then those who believe in Him are headed straight to _____ (1 Corinthians 15:17-18).
- 3) A person can only be _____ and _____ by the _____.
- a) God the Father's role is defined as _____ (2 Corinthians 13:14).
 - 1- Agape _____ is defined as _____ (John 3:16).
 - 2- Without the Father's _____ of His Son, _____ would not be possible (2 Corinthians 5:21).
 - b) God the Son's role is defined as _____ (2 Corinthians 13:14).
 - 1- _____ is _____.
 - 2- *Read* Philippians 2:6-8 and 2 Cor 8:9.
 - c) God the Holy Spirit's role is defined as _____ (2 Corinthians 13:14).
 - 1- _____ means _____ or _____.
 - 2- The _____ of the Holy Spirit is what _____ or sets apart a believer (1 Peter 1:2).

a- The _____ of the Holy Spirit also _____ the believer (Ephesians 4:30).

b- A seal is used to _____ (Revelation 22:4).

d) How are we to baptize (Matthew 28:19)? Why?

3. Homework: Determine the main point or theme of John the Baptist's 3rd testimony, which is recorded in verses 35-37.