

# Behold Him

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[ 0 : 00 ] It's a telling remark in the Word of God, behold, behold Him. And the first one we see in John chapter 1 verse 29 where John the Baptist sees the Lord coming! And he acknowledges who He is. And he says this in John 1 verse 29 it says, Then the next day John seeeth Jesus coming unto him and saith, Behold, the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. I'm going to put to you three things to behold about Him. Behold our Lord. Firstly, behold the Lamb of God, Redeemer. Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. 1 Peter 1 verse 18 it says, For as much as you know that you are not redeemed with corruptible things such as silver and gold, but with the precious blood of Christ as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. Again, the Lamb of God shed His blood.

Revelation 21, 27 it says that there shall in no wise enter into heaven anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination or maketh a lie, but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life. Again, the Lamb of God. You're going to make sure your name is written in the Lamb's book of life. And just another one on the same theme, Revelation 5, 11 it says, As John the Revelator looked, he says, And I beheld and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders and the number of them was 10,000 times 10,000 and thousands of thousands saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honour and glory and blessing. Are you redeemed? A big question we should all contemplate this vital question. Are you redeemed? Is your name written in the Lamb's book of life? That's a very important question. So behold Him. Behold Him today. Behold the Lamb, the Lamb that was slain, the Lamb that was sacrificed for us. Behold Him without blemish, without spot. See His precious blood, His sacrifice given for you. At communion time we think about sin and we think about the spotless one, the Lamb of God. Behold the Lamb who can take away our sin. Not only is He redeemer, but secondly, He's a revolutionary. It tells us, Behold the man. Behold the man in John 19, 5. It says, Then came Jesus forth wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. And Pilate said unto them, Behold the man. So here he is. He's just been flogged. He's wearing this crown of thorns, blood covering his person. And Pilate says, Behold the man. The Bible says, of course, of this man, it says in Hebrews 4, 15, For we have not an high priest, which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, but was in all points tempted, like as we are yet without sin.

And then 1 Corinthians 15, 47, it says, The first man is of the earth, earthy, talking about Adam. The second man is the Lord from heaven. So friends, this morning, behold the lamb, behold the man. The first man is of the earth, which of course, Adam's name is earth. Adam means earth or of the earth. And the second man is the Lord from heaven. He's still a man. He is more than that. He's the perfect man, the sinless man, the only sinless man. What a man, the second Adam, the second Adam, a real man.

[ 3 : 47 ] He wasn't some, a pretend man. He wasn't some kind of superhero man, as in a pretend man. He was fully man, fully man, fully God. He had to be very God, very man, a sinless man. More than that, the Lord from heaven, it says. And he became for us our savior, our substitute. This man, he took our place, as we see 1 Peter 2, verse 24, who his own self bear our sins in his own body on the tree, that we being dead unto sin should live unto righteousness by whose stripes you are healed. The dreadful fatal disease of sin, it can be healed people. Amen. That's the most dread disease is that fatal disease of sin.

You know, it's a death sentence, isn't it? The wages of our sin is death. And Christ himself, he took that wages, he took that death penalty, and he paid it in full on our part, on the tree. He carried it, our sin, on his body, on the tree. And at communion time, we think of salvation. It's wrought of God. It had to be wrought of God. It's God's work, salvation. So behold the lamb this morning. Behold the man, the perfect man, your substitute, the sacrifice for your sin. Behold him, this redeemer, the only one who can save your soul, this revolutionary. He revolutionizes lives, doesn't he? As we heard

Peter testify, a life revolutionized, turned around and saved by his precious grace. And what's more, ultimately, he's the king. As Pilate again says unto the Jews, he says, behold your king. So he says, behold, John the Baptist says, behold the lamb. Pilate says, behold the man. And again, Pilate says, behold to the Jews, and really to us, behold your king. The people's response, take him away, crucify him. They didn't want this man. And Revelation 19, verse 16, it says of this one, one day he will come in his, to come to rightful reign again, to rule his planet rightfully, the ruler of it, to come again. And it says of him, he hath on his vesture, that clothing, and his thigh, it says it has a name written, king of kings and lord of lords.

It's written on his garment. And we'll see that. King of kings, lord of lords. And it says of his kingdom, there shall be no end, as was prophesied of him as an infant. And then we see Luke 19, our Lord records a parable and tells of citizens hating this one who represented himself, saying, we will not have this man to reign over us. That's what a lot of people are saying on planet earth today, isn't it? We don't want Jesus. We don't want him to rule over us. We want to be our own boss, our own king. We want to do things our way. You know, I did it my way. That's what they want to be doing. But friends, the big question, and it's only you that can answer it. Is he your king?

Your king. Will you have him to reign over you? Will you come under his rulership? At communion, we think of sin we talked about, we think of salvation, and also we think about surrender.

[ 7 : 12 ] We bow our knees to this king, the one who is due our honour and praise, this one who is due that rulership. Behold the lamb, behold the man, behold the king, your king. Is he your king? Will you have him to reign over you, to rule over you? Is he your sacrifice? Is he your sovereign? Behold him, recognize him, praise him today. And surely we will. Behold him. It tells us how one day when he comes, it says, it's telling you here that your eyes will see him. That's what it's saying.

Whether you'll be a resurrected person or a raptured person, whatever eyes you have at the time that he comes, those eyes will see him, it says. Behold, he cometh with the clouds and every eye shall see him. They also which pierced him and all kindred of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, amen. Think of these truths this morning as we, as we prayerfully gather and behold him, behold him in all of his wonder, in all of his majesty today. Let's behold him, truly behold him today. Let's see