

THE GOSPEL

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OF JESUS CHRIST Born Of The HOLY SPIRIT

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD WHO TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD.

John 1:29 "The next day John (the Baptist) sees JESUS Coming unto him, and says 'Behold the Lamb Of GOD, Which Takes Away the Sin of the world.'

(Lamb: This Lamb would be the Sacrifice for the World's Sins. GOD: The Supreme Divinity. Takes Away: To Lift Up And Away, To Expiate Sin: Offences Against The Holy GOD's LAW. Of the world: it's inhabitants.

1:30 "This Is HE Of Whom I Said, After me Comes A MAN Which Is Preferred Before me: For HE Was Before me. (John speaks of JESUS, The WORD Of GOD From Eternity, Who Came Into human flesh as A MAN. So, HE Was Before John, even though John was born on Earth 6 months earlier than JESUS).

1:31 "And I knew HIM not: but that HE Should Be Made Manifest To Israel, therefore am I come Baptizing with Water. (John grew up 80 to 90 miles away from JESUS in Nazareth, a 5 to 6 day journey apart; so they did not know each other before HIS Baptism. But by the Spirit, John knew JESUS would Come to him. Made Manifest: JESUS Shows Himself to Israel).

1:32 "And John Bare Record, Saying, I Saw The SPIRIT Descending From Heaven Like A Dove, And It Remained Upon HIM. (There Is So much Recorded History about JESUS Christ that it Leaves the Intellectual World with Absolutely No Excuse for their Un-belief).

1:33 "And I knew HIM not: but HE (FATHER GOD) That Sent me to Baptize, The Same Said unto me, 'Upon Whom you see The SPIRIT Descending, And Remaining On HIM, This Same Is HE Who Baptizes With The HOLY SPIRIT. (By this Sign John would Recognize The Christ).

1:34 "And I Saw And Bare Record That This Is The SON Of GOD. (JESUS, The SON Of The Supreme Divinity, had just Returned from Defeating the Devil in the Wilderness).

1:35-37 "Again the next day after John stood, and 2 of his disciples; and looking upon JESUS As HE Walked, he said, 'Behold The Lamb Of GOD! And the 2 disciples heard him speak, and they Followed JESUS. (Andrew: Whose name means 'Manly' was the first to follow JESUS).

1:38 "Then JESUS Turned And Saw Them Following, And Said Unto Them, "What do you seek?" They said unto HIM, Rabbi (Master Teacher) Where do YOU Dwell? (They asked where JESUS Lived because they wanted to Stay Close to HIM).

1:39 "And HE Said Unto Them, "Come And See." and they saw where HE Dwelt, and Stayed with HIM that day: for it was about the 10th hour. (around 4:00 pm, and about 2 hours before Night Jewish time, JESUS Welcomes Andrew and John to HIS Side and took them to where HE was staying. JESUS would travel some 2,500 miles during HIS Ministry in Israel, doing more good deeds than books could contain).

1:40 "One of the 2 who heard John (the Baptist) speak, and followed HIM, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. (again Andrew (Whose Name Means Manly) is the First to Follow JESUS Christ. Sometimes It takes Manliness To Follow JESUS).

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Andrew tells his brother Simon (Peter) about The Christ.

John 1:41 "He (Andrew) **First Finds his brother Simon, and said unto him, 'We have found The Messiah, The Christ. (Andrew found JESUS the Christ he was looking for, and can't wait to tell his brother).**

1:42 "And he brought him To JESUS. And when JESUS Saw him, HE Said, "You Are Simon the son of Jonas; You Shall Be Called Cephas. (Cephas: The Rock. A surname of **Peter**).

1:43 "The next day JESUS Went Into Galilee, and found Philip, and Said unto him, "Follow ME." (Religious Jews called Galilee 'the heathen circle' but JESUS Came to Save Sinners and much of HIS Ministry would be there).

1:44 "Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the City of Andrew and Peter. (3 out of 1 City).

1:45 "Philip found Nathanael and told him, 'we have found HIM, of whom Moses in the Law, and the Prophets wrote, JESUS Of Nazareth, son of Joseph. (JESUS was commonly assumed to be the son of Joseph who raised JESUS; before these got to know HIM. But they did know Moses and the Prophets description of HIM).

1:46 "And Nathanael said unto him (Philip) 'Can any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip said unto him, come and see. (Nazareth's name—

Comes from Nazaret or Netzer, which means The Branch. About 600 years before JESUS Christ's birth, the Prophet said in **Isaiah 11:1** "And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse (King David's Father), and a Branch shall grow out of his Roots. And The SPIRIT Of The LORD Shall Rest Upon HIM. The SPIRIT Of Wisdom And Understanding, The SPIRIT Of Counsel And Might, The SPIRIT Of Knowledge And The Fear Of The LORD (FATHER CREATOR); And Shall Make HIM Of Quick Understanding In The Fear Of The LORD: And HE Shall Not Judge by the sight of the eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of HIS Ears. But With Righteousness HE Shall Judge (Vindicate, defend and free) The Poor, And Reprove With Equity For The Meek Of The Earth: ..."

So **Nazareth** is the small city 'of the Branch of David, and JESUS Is Called The **Nazarene**. They say it was mostly a Farming community. But since these followers knew the Words from Prophet Isaiah, they recognized **JESUS** very quickly.

John 1:47 "JESUS Saw Nathanael Coming To HIM, And Said to him, "Behold An Israelite Indeed, In whom is no guile. (No deceit, tricks).

1:48 "Nathanael said unto HIM, How do you know about me? JESUS Answered And Said unto him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the Fig tree, I saw you. (By the SPIRIT JESUS had immediate Knowledge of men whom HE met).

1:49 "Nathanael answered and said unto HIM, Rabbi (Master), YOU Are The SON Of GOD, YOU Are The King Of Israel.

(Already we see that they recognize this SON is not just the 'son of Joseph' HIS Step-father).

1:50 "JESUS Answered and said unto him, "Because I Said unto you that I Saw you under the Fig tree, you Believe? You Shall See Greater Things Than These. (**Jesus** is mentioned 972 times in the Bible, and doing many wonderful works and miracles. HE had all Knowledge in every situation HE entered. But His disciples would see even Greater Things the longer they followed HIM.

1:51 "And HE Said unto him, "Verily, Verily, I Say unto you, here after you shall see Heaven Open, and the Angels Of GOD Ascending and descending upon the SON of Man. (Angels were always helping JESUS and would **Ascend from HIM** with **HIS Requests To FATHER GOD. Jacob/Israel** Saw this time coming in **Genesis 28:12** "And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the Earth, and the top of it reached to Heaven: and behold the **Angels Of GOD Ascended** and descended on it. And, Behold, The LORD Stood Above It." **FATHER LORD Stood For HIS SON**; And **Angels would Ascend With JESUS Requests, and Descend back to HIM.**