



Sermon: **Who is the Saviour? (John 1:29)**

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We are continuing to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation as we study the five solas that emerged from this important period in church history. The five solas summarize the core doctrines of the gospel that were rediscovered during this time. So far, we have learned and reminded ourselves that salvation is by grace alone through faith alone. Salvation is not by works, but by faith that is granted to us by the sovereign grace of God. This week we will look at the object of our faith. We will look the One who alone has the power to save us. The sola for this week's study is this: Solus Christus (In Christ Alone). Salvation is found in no one else. There is no other name under heaven given among men by which we can be saved (Acts 4:12). Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father but through him (John 14:6). He is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world (John 1:29)! We trust in the person and work of Christ alone.

What you need for this study: Bible, Notebook, Pen

Individual Bible Study

1. Please read John 1:29 and ensure that you have listened to the sermon.
 - a) Pastor Jacob said, "The reformation was an excavation of truth, not an innovation of truth." What does he mean by this?
 - b) The Roman Catholic Church sees itself as a dispenser of grace. What does that mean? Why is that a problem?
 - c) What does the Roman Catholic Church wrongly teach about baptism?
 - d) What does it wrongly teach about indulgences?
 - e) In John 1:29, John the Baptist calls people to "Behold" Jesus Christ. What does it mean to *behold* him? What are some attributes of Christ that we can behold?
 - f) In John 14:6, Jesus says that he is *the way*. What does this mean? How does this compare to what the Roman Catholic Church teaches?
 - g) Christ is the sacrificial lamb. What does this mean? What are some Old Testament concepts and Scriptural references that this relates to?



- h) Christ is the lamb *of God*. What role does God the Father play in the sacrifice of his Son?
- i) According to John 1:29, what is the result of Christ offering himself up as a sacrificial lamb for us?
- j) Why must Christ alone be the object of our faith?
- k) To whom is the offer of salvation available?

Group Discussion Questions

1. How did the Holy Spirit speak to you through the sermon and the Bible study this week?
2. What false things does the Roman Catholic Church teach about salvation? How would you point a Roman Catholic to Scripture and use it to refute these false teachings?
3. Why must Jesus be the sole object of our faith and of our praise? Use Scripture to support your answer.
4. What does it mean to *behold* Jesus? What are some attributes of Christ that you love to behold? Why?
5. Christ's offer of salvation is open to everyone. What are some implications of this? How should this truth influence our boldness with unbelievers?