

For the Love of an Imperative Verb John 1:29-42

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²⁹The next day he [*i.e.*, John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming him and declared, “**Here is** [ἴδε, **íde**] the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified this is the Son of God.”

³⁵The next day John [the Baptist] again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “**Look** [ἴδε, **íde**], here is the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “**Come** [ἔρχεσθε, **érchesthe**] and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard Jesus speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated “Anointed”). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter). [NRSV⁸⁹]

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ἴδε, **íde**

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ἔρχεσθε, **érchesthe**

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