

#### **SERMON OUTLINE JANUARY 15, 2017**

### **Seeing Things Clearly**

John 1:29-41

**INTRODUCTION:** "That TV commercial about drinking while driving & NOT seeing clearly..."

## I. SEEING THINGS CLEARLY IS WHAT THIS BIBLE TEXT IS ALL ABOUT

- A. Note verses 29, 32, 34, 35, 38, 39 (we'll read them aloud)
- B. Note the verbs: Look, I saw, I have seen, look, you will see, they went and saw . . .
- C. What's the story behind this "look & see" text?
- D. Why won't people outside the Church "see" today?
- E. What gets in the way of people inside the Church "seeing" today?
  - -- the Kenyan Missionary with the disconnected battery cable
- F. Have we become disconnected from our Lord?

# II. BOTH JOHN THE BAPTIST & JESUS INVITE US TO STOP & SEE CLEARLY

- A. "Look... the Lamb of God Who takes away the sin of the world!" (v.29)
- B. "Come... and you will see!" (v.39)

#### III. BEST OF ALL, JESUS SEES US & COMES TO US TODAY

- A. Nothing keeps Him from us (Luke 15:20; Luke 19:5; Romans 5:6-7)
- B. Our joyful task is to love others and help them to see Him and His love (vv. 40-42)

**CONCLUSION**: Teddy and Miss Thompson: the love of God seen clearly