



Title | Invitations
Series | Leaning In
Text | John 1:43-51
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Sermon Notes

John 1:43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." 49 Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man." ESV

Big Idea:

John 1:46 ...Philip said to him, "Come and see." ESV

For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Read John 10:46. Nathanael's belief about where the Savior would come from brought preconceptions to his relationship with Jesus. What personal biases, experiences or family influences might shape the way you understand God?

Tuesday:

Read John 10:46. Phillip offered Nathanael an invitation to "come and see." Are there questions about God, the Scriptures or your faith that you have been hesitant to investigate more intimately? Why?

Wednesday:

Read John 10:50. The sermon mentioned, "greater things can't be experienced from a distance." What areas of your spiritual life might require you to lean in rather than remain at a comfortable distance?

Thursday:

Read John 10:47. Jesus gave an interesting response to Nathanael after he expressed skepticism. What is your attitude towards people who bring doubt or skepticism to conversations about God?

Friday:

List 3 times the Lord has exceeded your expectations and done "greater things" after you chose to trust him.

Daily Prayer:

Jesus, you are greater than anything we can imagine. Thank you choosing to offer your grace to us in all the ways we come to you. Amen.

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