

JESUS' FIRST DISCIPLES, part 2
(John 1:43-51)

- I. Jesus and PHILIP (John 1:43-46)
 - A. Jesus had DETERMINED to go into GALILEE
 - B. Jesus FOUND Philip, an ORDINARY man
 - C. Jesus CALLED Philip to “FOLLOW ME”
 - 1. He was BROUGHT by NO ONE
 - 2. He was not LOOKING FOR Jesus
 - 3. Yet Jesus CALLED Him on the basis of His WILL, not Philip's ABILITY
 - D. Philip FOUND Nathanael
 - 1. Nathanael was probably BARTHOLOMEW
 - 2. Philip identified Jesus as “Him of whom MOSES...and the PROPHETS wrote”
 - 3. Nathanael was probably a STUDENT of the LAW
 - 4. Philip named the One they found, “Jesus of NAZARATH, the SON of JOSEPH”
 - E. Nathanael asked, “Can any GOOD THING come out of Nazareth?”
 - F. Philip said, “COME and SEE”
- II. Jesus and NATHANAEL (John 1:47-51)
 - A. Jesus called him “an Israelite INDEED, in whom is no DECEIT”
 - 1. He had answered Philip HONESTLY
 - 2. He was willing to EXAMINE Jesus' CLAIMS
 - B. Nathanael was SURPRISED by Jesus' KNOWLEDGE

- C. Jesus' answer CONVINCED Nathanael of His OMNISCIENCE
- D. Nathanael addressed Him in terms implying DIVINITY
 - 1. He called Him, "RABBI"
 - 2. He declared, "You are the SON OF GOD"
 - 3. He proclaimed, "You are the KING OF ISRAEL"
- E. Nathanael is the first person explicitly identified as a BELIEVER
- F. Jesus promised he would see GREATER evidence of His DEITY
 - 1. Jesus is the REVEALER of heavenly TRUTH
 - 2. Jesus is the MEDIATOR of heavenly BLESSING
- G. Jesus calls Himself "the SON OF MAN"
 - 1. It is associated with Jesus' SUFFERING and DEATH (3:14; 8:28; 12:34)
 - 2. It is associated with His PROVISION of SALVATION (6:27, 53)
 - 3. It is associated with His AUTHORITY to JUDGE (5:27; 9:35, 39)
 - 4. It identified the ETERNAL KING (Dan. 7:13-14)