

Series - That You May Believe: A Study In John

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Message - Jesus Calls His Church First Disciples

<u>Sermon Big Picture</u> - Jesus begins His earthly ministry and calls the 12 to follow Him. We see Him pick average, common men through whom He will build His Church.

Scripture: John 1:35-51

Examination

- 1. Consider that no one in Jesus time had ever heard a man referred to as "The lamb of God". How would this have sounded to those listening?
- 2. When we see the role of the lamb in the Old Testament, what does the title "The lamb of God" tell us about what Jesus would be and do for His people?
- 3. When the disciples ask Jesus where He is staying, Jesus replies "come and you will see". How is our following Jesus in this life more a journey than a destination?
- 4. Throughout this passage, we see those who have begun following Jesus calling others to come and follow Him as well. How does this simply reflect how we are to evangelize?
- 5. Throughout the Bible, to name someone is to demonstrate headship over them. What Old Testament examples can you think of where someone is given their name (Ex: Gen 2:20, Gen 17:5, Gen 32:28). What then is the significance of Jesus renaming a number of the disciples?

Application

- 1. How does Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world give you hope?
- 2. How has Jesus authority over your life transformed you? In what way has He given you a "new name"/identity in Him?

Personal Discipline

This week, as you consider this passage, call others to "come and see" your Lord. Pray that Jesus would continue to providentially guide you and use you for His glory!