

**“Come and See” • John 1:35-51**

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2 Part Study • *Intro to John, and 1:35–51...*

**Intro to the Gospel of John • Why four Gospels? And is John unique?**

Matthew → Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_

Mark → Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_

Luke → Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_

John → Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_

John focuses on **SEVEN SIGNS & SAYINGS** of Jesus, by which we can believe in Him and be saved (John 20:30–31)

7 Signs / Miracles = Changing water to wine in Cana • Healing an official's son at Capernaum • Healing an invalid at Bethesda • Feeding the 5000 near Galilee • Walking on Water on Galilee • Healing a man born blind in Jerusalem • Raising Lazarus from the dead in Bethany

7 “I AM” Statements = I am the Bread of Life • I am the Light of the World • I am the Door of the Sheep • I am the Good Shepherd • I am the Resurrection and the Life • I am the Way the Truth and the Life • I am the True Vine

Also unique from John's Gospel are Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ with individuals (ie., Nicodemus, Woman at the Well, Pontius Pilate)

➔ Takeaway: *Jesus is APPROACHABLE (1:14 & 18)* \_\_\_\_\_

**Verse by Verse**

**35–37** • John the Baptist gladly sends his own disciples to Jesus

**38–39** • Jesus' first words in John = *What do you seek?* This is a critical question for every single person to consider!

“Jesus, where are you staying?” = meaning: *We are seeking You! We want to be with you!* This is the meaning of discipleship.

“Come, and you will see” = Jesus invites them to be disciples.

- 1 • Disciples must first COME to Jesus (and leave the world behind)
- 2 • Disciples then STAY with Jesus (Mark 3:14)
- 3 • The result = we SEE Jesus, more and more, as He truly is

**40–44** • Andrew finds Simon and brings him to Jesus. Jesus calls him “Peter.” Jesus takes His new disciples back to Galilee, their home ground.

**45–46** • *The Messiah comes from Nazareth?? How can this be?*

**47** • Nathanael, who has no deceit, asks honest questions. Jesus commends him for this.

➔ We must be honest with our doubts, but also SEEK the answer, and be intellectually honest as we discover God's truth and truly receive it.

**48–51** • We can't be sure what Nathanael was doing under the fig tree, but a good guess was that he was reading of Jacob, because Jesus refers to his story—the “ladder” from heaven, which is actually Jesus

3 Lessons from Nathanael's FIG TREE →

1 • You are never \_\_\_\_\_

2 • So live in light of God's \_\_\_\_\_

3 • Remember your “fig tree” moments, when God reveals Himself to you, and you go deeper with Him. These are moments to hold on to. Never forget. Let these be the foundations you build on.

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