

## SEQUOIA NOTES

### Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

#### Come and See Jesus

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John 1:35-51 (NLT) The following day John was again standing with two of his disciples.<sup>36</sup> As Jesus walked by, John looked at him and declared, “Look! There is the Lamb of God!”<sup>37</sup> When John’s two disciples heard this, they followed Jesus.<sup>38</sup> Jesus looked around and saw them following. “What do you want?” he asked them. They replied, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”<sup>39</sup> “Come and see,” he said. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon when they went with him to the place where he was staying, and they remained with him the rest of the day.

- **Jesus invites us to experience Him.**

- **As followers of Christ... We have been given a mission to make disciples.**

Matthew 28:18-20 (MSG) Jesus, undeterred, went right ahead and gave his charge: “God authorized and commanded me to commission you: Go out and train everyone you meet, far and near, in this way of life, marking them by baptism in the threefold name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Then instruct them in the practice of all I have commanded you. I’ll be with you as you do this, day after day after day, right up to the end of the age.”

- **We have been sent to help people find and follow Jesus.**

John 20:21 (NLT) [Jesus] said, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you.”

Matthew 4:19 (NLT) “Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!”

John 1:40-46 (NLT) Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of these men who heard what John said and then followed Jesus.<sup>41</sup> Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means “Christ”).<sup>42</sup> Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, “Your name is Simon, son of John—but you will be called Cephas” (which means “Peter”).<sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Come, follow me.”<sup>44</sup> Philip was from Bethsaida, Andrew and Peter’s hometown.<sup>45</sup> Philip went to look for Nathanael and told him, “We have found the very person Moses and the prophets wrote about! His name is Jesus, the son of Joseph from Nazareth.”<sup>46</sup> “Nazareth!” exclaimed Nathanael. “Can anything good come from Nazareth?” “Come and see for yourself,” Philip replied.

- **Sharing Christ requires intentionality.**

John 1:47-51 (NLT) As they approached, Jesus said, “Now here is a genuine son of Israel—a man of complete integrity.”<sup>48</sup> “How do you know about me?” Nathanael asked. Jesus replied, “I could see you under the fig tree before Philip found you.”<sup>49</sup> Then Nathanael exclaimed, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God—the King of Israel!”<sup>50</sup> Jesus asked him, “Do you believe this just because I told you I had seen you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this.”<sup>51</sup> Then he said, “I tell you the truth, you will all see heaven open and the angels of God going up and down on the Son of Man, the one who is the stairway between heaven and earth.”

**Big Idea: Take the initiative to invite people to experience Jesus.**



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1. What stood out to you from this message?
2. Read John 1:35-51. If Jesus was to ask you “What do you want?”, what would you tell him? What are the implications for us to “come and see” Jesus? What is one significant way you have experienced Christ?
3. Read Matthew 28:18-29, John 20:21, and Matthew 4:19. What is Christ saying to us through these passages? What steps can we take to be faithful to our commission as individuals and as a church family?
4. Read John 1:40-46. In what ways do these disciples show intentionality to invite people to experience Jesus? What does this look like for us in our Impact Communities and with Alpha?
5. Read John 1:47-51. How does Nathanael refer to Jesus? How does this motivate and equip us to help others find and follow Jesus? What action step is God asking you to take today?
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