

Come and See

John 1:35-51

A Disciple Comes to Christ and Remains with Him [vv. 1:35–39]

- Discipleship begins with a faithful **witness** to Christ
- Discipleship requires a personal **pursuit** of Christ
- Jesus exposes the **desires** of prospective disciples
- Discipleship develops through abiding **fellowship** with Christ

A Disciple Brings Others to Christ [vv. 1:40–46]

- A disciple begins with those **closest to Him**
- A disciple follows because Christ first **calls** him
- A disciple uses **Scripture** to point others to **Christ**
- A disciple answers skepticism with a gracious **invitation**

A Disciple is Known and Transformed by Christ [vv. 1:47–51]

- Christ knows His **disciples** before they know Him
- Encountering Christ produces a confession of **faith**
- Christ promises His disciples a greater **revelation** of His glory
- Christ Himself is the way into the **presence** of God

Discussion Questions

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1. In John 1:35–39, the two disciples hear John’s testimony, follow Jesus, and remain with Him. What is the difference between knowing about Jesus and personally following Him?
Supporting passages: Luke 9:23–24; John 8:31–32; John 15:4–5
2. Jesus asks, “What are you seeking?” (John 1:38). What desires or expectations can motivate people to approach Jesus, and what should a true disciple ultimately seek?
Supporting passages: Psalm 27:4; Mat 6:31–33; Phil 3:7–10
3. Andrew’s first response was to find his brother Simon and bring him to Jesus (John 1:40–42). Who has God placed within your circle of influence, and how might you intentionally point that person to Christ?
Supporting passages: Mat 5:14–16; Rom 10:13–17; 1 Pet 3:15
4. Jesus found Philip, Philip then found Nathanael (John 1:43–46). What does this teach us about the relationship between Christ’s sovereign call and our responsibility to share the gospel?
Supporting passages: John 6:37–44; Acts 13:48–49; 1 Cor 3:5–7
5. When Nathanael expressed skepticism, Philip answered, “Come and see” (John 1:46). How should Christians respond to the honest questions, doubts, or objections of unbelievers?
Correlating passages: Acts 17:2–4; Col 4:5–6; 2 Tim 2:24–26
6. Jesus knew Nathanael before Nathanael understood who Jesus was (John 1:47–51). How does Christ’s complete knowledge of us produce both humility and assurance in the life of a disciple?
Supporting passages: Psalm 139:1–6, 23–24; John 10:14, 27–29; Heb 4:13–16