

**FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE**

1) vs 43 “*the next day*” referred to is the day after Andrew brought Peter. It is then that Jesus leaves the Jordan River where John the Baptist was and he **TRAVELS NORTH** into Galilee.

2) vs 43 Phillip is brought by no one [nor did he look for Jesus]. Rather, the **CONTACT** is **INITIATED** by Jesus.

3) vs 45 Philip uses what Nathanael is familiar with when referring to the “*Law and the Prophets*”. He’s aware of his friends love and knowledge of **GOD’S WORD**.

4) vs 46 Philip is so **CERTAIN** all of his friend’s doubts will be **ERASED** and questions answered, he makes a personal invitation to his friend by saying “*Come and see*”.

5) vs 47 When Jesus says there’s “*no deceit*” in Nathanael’s life, he is revealing that he has a **HEART** which is **FRESH** and genuine.

6) vs 47 Nathanael has never met Jesus, nor talked with him, yet Jesus describes his heart and his **CHARACTER ACCURATELY**.

7) In vs 48 we see Jesus’ **OMNISCIENT** nature as God. He looks upon not only the physical location of Nathanael when He saw him under the fig tree, but Jesus also saw **HIS SOUL**.

8) In vs 50 “the fig tree” is significant because many Israelites would go to a fig tree to **MEDITATE** and pray. In the Bible, the Fig tree is not only a place for shade, but also a place for prayer, study and conversation.

9) vs 51 It appears Jesus is alluding to “Jacob’s dream” in Genesis ch 28. By this He [Jesus] is saying He is the “**LADDER**” between heaven and earth, the **GATEWAY** to God the Father.

**GREEK WORDS USED TODAY**

**Periecho**; to hold all around, clasp :- + astonished

**Alethos** (indeed) means genuine - in truth

**Pisteuo** [pist-yoo'-o] to have faith (in); by implication to entrust (especially one's well-being to Christ):- (believe) persuasion; conviction

**FOR THE WEEK AHEAD**

The 11 Disciples we have been learning about in the last part of John ch 1 become the Apostles, the men who made up the foundation of the church. But first, they’re “chosen” to believe in Jesus, then to follow Him and be with Him. Eventually they would do great things for Christ as a result of what God does through them. But most of all, they’re to simply follow and eventually begin to produce “fruit”.

As you examine your own walk with God, what ignites you to go and find others to share the “good news” and thereby produce fruit?

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How can you apply the principles of these truths this week?

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