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- SOME OF US APPROACH GOD DISHONESTLY
- WILL WE COME TO CHRIST HONESTLY, OPENLY, SINCERELY SEEKING?



 JOHN 1:43 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)
 ⁴³ THE NEXT DAY JESUS DECIDED TO GO TO GALILEE. HE FOUND PHILIP AND SAID TO HIM, "FOLLOW ME."



JESUS IS...MORE THAN YOU THINK JOHN 1:44-45 • JOHN 1:44-45 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION) ⁴⁴NOW PHILIP WAS FROM BETHSAIDA, THE CITY OF ANDREW AND PETER. ⁴⁵PHILIP FOUND NATHANAEL AND SAID TO HIM, "WE HAVE FOUND HIM OF WHOM MOSES IN THE LAW AND ALSO THE PROPHETS WROTE. JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE SON OF JOSEPH."



JESUS IS

- PHILIP IS A NEW BELIEVER WHO PROBABLY DOESN'T HAVE IT ALL FIGURED OUT; BUT HE KNOWS JESUS!
- GETS HIS FRIEND AND TELLS HIM
- WILL YOU GO AND TELL AND BRING YOUR BROTHER, FRIEND, ETC?

 ''I'VE FOUND WHAT WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR''

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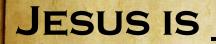
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JESUS IS...MORE THAN YOU THINK JOHN 1:46 • JOHN 1:46 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION) ⁴⁶NATHANAEL SAID TO HIM, "CAN ANYTHING GOOD COME OUT OF NAZARETH?" PHILIP SAID TO HIM, "COME AND SEE."



- NATHANAEL HAS A NEGATIVE PREJUDICE AGAINST NAZARETH
- MIGHT HAVE CAUSED HIM TO MISS CHRIST
- GOD, BURN THE SUBTLE SINS OUT OF US!

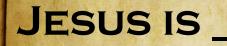


JESUS IS...MORE THAN YOU THINK JOHN 1:43-51 JOHN 1:47 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION) ⁴⁷JESUS SAW NATHANAEL COMING TOWARD HIM AND SAID OF HIM, "BEHOLD, AN **ISRAELITE INDEED, IN WHOM THERE IS NO** DECEIT!"



- CHRIST ACCEPTS NATHANAEL
 WHOLEHEARTEDLY, DESPITE HIS
 NEGATIVE COMMENT ~ WHY?
- JESUS DOESN'T CHASTISE
 PEOPLE WITH HONEST
 QUESTIONS
- THIS IS HONESTY, NOT FALSE INTELLECTUALISM
 CHRIST IS NOT YOUR "GOD FIX"

- "IN WHOM THERE IS NO DECEIT"
- NOT SINLESS; NO PRETENSE; HONEST
- NATHANAEL, WITH HIS DOUBT AND QUESTIONS, IS SEEKING WITH HONESTY



JESUS IS...MORE THAN YOU THINK JOHN 1:43-51 • JOHN 1:48-49 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION) ⁴⁸NATHANAEL SAID TO HIM, "HOW DO YOU KNOW ME?" JESUS ANSWERED HIM, "BEFORE PHILIP CALLED YOU, WHEN YOU WERE UNDER THE FIG TREE, I SAW YOU." ⁴⁹NATHANAEL ANSWERED HIM, "RABBI, YOU ARE THE SON OF GOD! YOU ARE THE KING OF ISRAEL!"



- ''HOW DO YOU KNOW ME?"
- WE SO OFTEN FEEL ALONE IN OUR QUESTIONS AND DOUBTS
- WE THINK NO ONE KNOWS OUR UNIQUE EXPERIENCES
- WE ARE FRIGHTENED AND LONELY

JESUS KNOWS!!

 SINCE HE IS THE SON OF GOD AND HE IS KING, THEN HE HAS
 STRENGTH AND POWER BEYOND
 MEASURE TO GIVE US



• 2 COR 4:7; COR 12:9; EPH 1:18-21

- "I SAW YOU UNDER THE FIG TREE"
- BEING UNDER THE FIG TREE = BEING IN YOUR PRAYER CLOSET
- CHRIST HAS HEARD HIS PRAYERS
 AND QUESTIONS



JESUS IS...MORE THAN YOU THINK JOHN 1:43-51 • JOHN 1:50-51 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION) ⁵⁰JESUS ANSWERED HIM, "BECAUSE I SAID TO YOU, 'I SAW YOU UNDER THE FIG TREE,' DO YOU BELIEVE? YOU WILL SEE GREATER THINGS THAN THESE." ⁵¹AND HE SAID TO HIM, "TRULY, TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, YOU WILL SEE HEAVEN OPENED, AND THE ANGELS OF GOD ASCENDING AND DESCENDING ON THE SON OF MAN."

JESUS IS

- CHRIST REFERENCES ANGELS GOING UP AND DOWN; ECHOES GEN. 28 (JACOB'S LADDER)
- "YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO TO YOUR FIG TREE OR BETHEL ANY MORE; I'M THE PLACE WHERE YOU EXPERIENCE GOD!"

• "I'M THE WAY TO INTERACT WITH GOD. I MEDIATE BETWEEN GOD AND MAN"

- "NATHANAEL- IF YOU'LL FOLLOW ME, I'LL SHOW YOU ANSWERS TO YOUR PRAYERS AND MORE THAN YOU CAN EVEN IMAGINE!"
- DO YOU HAVE DOUBTS AND QUESTIONS AND A DEEP DESIRE TO KNOW GOD? GOOD NEWS!
- GOD'S ALREADY DRAWING YOU TO HIMSELF!
- WE'RE DIRECTING YOU TO THE RIGHT PLACE TO GET ANSWERS -CHRIST!

- CHRIST IS SURE OF WHO HE IS AND WHAT YOU NEED TO SEE
- BRING YOUR HONEST DOUBTS AND SKEPTICISM TO HIM
- INVITE OTHERS TO COME AND SEE
- CHRIST DELIGHTS IN REVEALING GOD AND TRUTH TO HONEST SEEKERS

- GOD, GRANT US ABSOLUTE HONESTY WITH OURSELVES AND WITH YOU!
- REVEAL AND PURGE SUBTLE SINS FROM OUR HEARTS!

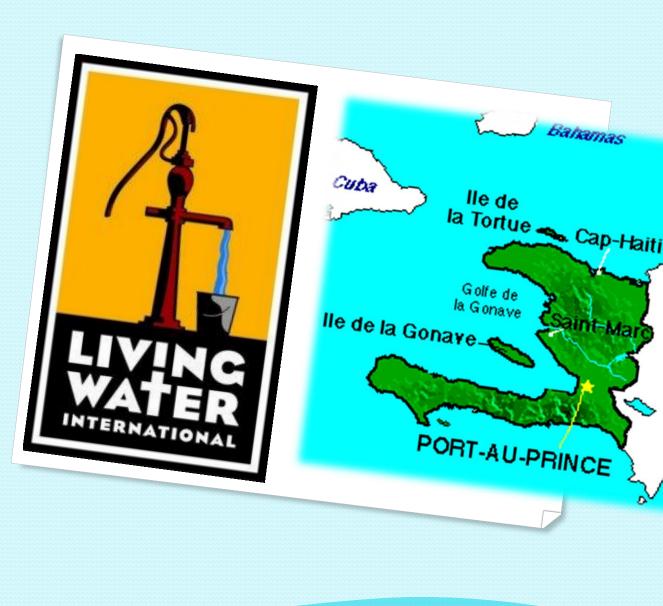


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Join us as we repair wells to provide life-giving water for the people of Haiti

Aug 26th-Sept 3rd

Info Meeting **TODAY** immediately after the service @ the Hartzog Home



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•TODAY @ 2 PM

•Greatwood Retirement & Assisted Living Center

•For more info, contact Cheryl Marshall 281-232-6605





*** LADIES BIBLE STUDY:** EVERY OTHER MONDAY / GREATWOOD REC CENTER / 7 PM / 2.21.2011

MOPS: TUESDAY, FEB. 22 @ 9 AM ∼ GREATWOOD CHICK-FIL-A

*** LADIES RETREAT:** MARCH 25-26 / COLUMBIA RESORT / REGISTER TODAY / ONLY \$98



- Explore with us how Christ is our perfect Prophet, Priest, and King
- 2 weeks left, but it's not too late to join us!
 - RSVP <u>today</u> for supplies and childcare

School Supply Drive: Bethel Academy Pick up the supply list in the lobby Collecting today until March 13th For more information contact Autumn Tingle at <u>autumntingle@gmail.com</u>



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