

Lesson 3

“COME AND YOU WILL SEE”

John 1:35-51

Key Verse: 39a

1. Why do you think the author notes the time details (1:29,35,43; 2:1)? What did John the Baptist say again and why (29,36)? What did two of his disciples do (37)? What can we learn from them?
2. When Jesus saw the two men following what did he ask (38a)? Why did Jesus ask them such a question¹? What did they ask Jesus (38b)? Read verse 39a. What was Jesus' invitation and promise (39a)? How would you answer Jesus' question, “What do you want?”
3. What conclusion did Andrew reach after one day with Jesus, and what was the first thing he did (39b-42a)? What new name did Jesus give Simon and why (42b; Mt 16:18)? What does this interaction tell us about how Jesus sees people?
4. The next day, where did Jesus decide to go and whom did he invite to follow him (43-44)? Who did Philip find and what did he testify about Jesus (45; Dt 18:18)? Why was Nathanael doubtful (46a)? How did Philip help him (46b)? How can we “come and see” Jesus?
5. What did Jesus say to Nathanael (47-48)? What did Nathanael come to believe and why (49-50a)? What did Jesus promise him (50) and the others (51)? What does this say about Jesus (cf. Gen 28:12)?
6. What does this passage tell us about Jesus and how we can come to know him?

¹ Some translations: “What are you seeking?” or “What are you looking for?”