

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS · MIDDLE SCHOOL

Come and See the King

The Gospel of John: Why Should I Believe? · Week 06 · October 18, 2026

LEADER SNAPSHOT

Big idea: Jesus' first words in John are a question: "What are you seeking?" His invitation is "Come and see." Everyone who truly sees Him goes and brings someone else.

Read together: John 1:35–51 · Genesis 28:10–17. Memory verse: John 1:46.

Time: 20–25 minutes. Question 7 is the one that lands.

WARM UP

1. What was the last thing you told a friend they "had to" see, hear, or try? What made it impossible to keep to yourself?

WHAT ARE YOU SEEKING?

2. Jesus' first words in John are a question: "What are you seeking?" Pastor Jeff listed honest answers: courtesy, kindness, escape, protection, understanding. Which is closest to yours?
Jesus already knew the answer. He asked so they would be honest. Don't push for the "right" one.
3. Andrew spent a day with Jesus, then found his brother. Philip found Nathanael. What is the pattern? Why does the gospel move one person at a time?

KNOWN BY JESUS

4. Jesus renamed Simon "Peter" (Rock) long before Peter acted like one. What does it mean that Jesus names people for who they'll become instead of who they are?
Jesus doesn't call people who have it all together. He calls people He will spend a lifetime shaping.
5. Nathanael said, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip didn't argue; he said, "Come and see." Why is that better than trying to win the argument?
6. Jesus knew Nathanael before they met ("under the fig tree, I saw you"). Some people think they have to clean themselves up before coming to Jesus. What does this story say about that?
He already knows you, all of it, and He still says "Come."

SO WHAT

7. Jesus told Nathanael he would see "the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man." That's Jacob's ladder (Genesis 28), and Jesus is saying the ladder is Him: the one connection between heaven and earth. So who needs to hear "come and see" from you?
You don't have to have every answer. Philip didn't. You just have to make the introduction.

THIS WEEK

Be an Andrew. Be a Philip. Name one person and say "Come and see." Invite them to read John with you, to your D-Group, or to sit with you Sunday. Memorize John 1:46. Next week: Week 7 · Water Into Wine · John 2:1–12 · October 25, 2026