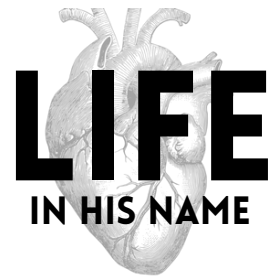


# GROWTH GUIDE

Come and See | John 1:35-51

Week of 9/24/2023



## SERMON OUTLINE .....

- 1) Jesus invites the curious. John 1:35-39
- 2) Jesus engages the compelled. John 1:40-42
- 3) Jesus seeks out the distant. John 1:43
- 4) Jesus wins the skeptic. John 1:44-51

## GROUP DISCUSSION .....

- 1) Looking back at John 1:35-51 and your notes, what stood out to you, was helpful, or challenged you? What questions do you have?
  
- 2) What can we learn from Jesus's example of seeking out Philip in this passage? What does that remind us about Jesus?
  
- 3) In what ways can we create an inviting atmosphere for those who are curious about Jesus, both personally and at church?
  
- 4) What role does evidence and personal experiences play in addressing skepticism about Jesus? How can we effectively communicate with skeptics and share the message of Jesus in a way that resonates with them?
  
- 5) Share the most helpful practical tips or lessons you've learned about witnessing. For example, what do you talk about when you're witnessing? What do you avoid talking about? How do you start the conversation? What do you ask? Etc.

## BREAKOUT DISCUSSION .....

- 1) Which of the four scenarios (curious, compelled, distant, skeptic) resonates with your story the most, and why? How did you start your relationship with Jesus? What has God done in your life? How did He bring you to saving knowledge in Him?
  
- 2) Which of the four scenarios do you find most challenging to engage with, and why?

## POINTS FOR PRAYER .....

- Pray that God would use us to reach the skeptics in Dane County.
- Ask God to help understand and know Him more fully.
- God I know you saw me when you...(John 1:48)

