

**“You Ain’t Seen Nothin’ Yet”**  
**4G: John, the Maverick Gospel (Message 4)**  
**John 1:35-51**

**Discussion Questions**

**When you get some good news, who is the first person that you want to share it with? Why?**

**As a child, what would it take for you to believe something your brother or sister told you?**

**“What are you looking for?”**

John 1:37-38 (NRSV) *The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?"*

Take steps to find answers for the questions you don’t know how to ask.

**What do you think people are looking for?**

**What were you looking for when you came to follow Jesus?**

**“Come and see”**

John 1:39-40 (NRSV) *He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother.*

Explore.

**“You will be called Cephas”**

John 1:41-42 (NIV) *The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter).*

**How do you think Simon felt when Jesus changed his name to Peter?**

**In what ways has following Jesus caused you to see yourself differently?**

See yourself differently.

**“Follow me.”**

John 1:43 (NIV) *The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me."*

**Which of the following three actions would you be most likely to do: (1) act on what you know; (2) question what you don’t; (3) challenge your prejudices?**

Act on what you know.

**Why do you think it is hard for many people to act on what they know?**

Question what you don't.  
Challenge your prejudices.

**What helped Nathanael to overcome his prejudices about Nazareth?**

**Which one of the disciples in this story are you most like when it comes to following Jesus—Andrew, Philip (spreading the news), Peter (a changed identity), Nathanael (from skepticism to strong belief)?**

**What was your motive for following Jesus when you started? How much did you know about him?**

***“...a man of complete integrity.”***

John 1:47 (NLT) *As they approached, Jesus said, “Now here is a genuine son of Israel—a man of complete integrity.”*

Be honest.

***“You haven't seen anything yet!”***

John 1:50-51 (MSG) *Jesus said, “You've become a believer simply because I say I saw you one day sitting under the fig tree? You haven't seen anything yet! Before this is over you're going to see heaven open and God's angels descending to the Son of Man and ascending again.”*

Hang on.

**To what do you most look forward in following Jesus?**