

ALL EYES ON JESUS

Five Who Followed Jesus

(John 1:35-51)

Small Group Study Notes

Get to know you:

- Tell us about your favorite pet growing up.
- ❖ Do you recall when you first heard the Gospel? What was going on in your life? Who pointed you to Christ?
- ❖ How do we often see jealousy displayed in ministry? How does John the Baptist show us humility?
- ❖ Knowing the 12 men Jesus picked to carry on the work in His absence, what surprises and encourages you the most?
- ❖ **Read John 1:35-40**
 - Who is Andrew? What is he like?
 - How does his ministry differ from his brother, Simon Peter?
 - What question does Jesus ask Andrew and John (vs. 38)? Apply this to your life.
 - Speculate on some of the things they may have talked about that evening when they went home with Jesus (vs. 39).
- ❖ **Read John 1:41-42**
 - What did Andrew tell Peter? (vs. 41) What is significant about that?
 - Why does Jesus give Simon son of Jonah (John) a new name?
 - Who can you “believe in” and encourage to reach new heights with God?
 - In what ways has Christ transformed your life?
- ❖ **Read vs. 43**
 - Jesus’ word to Philip said, “Follow me over the long haul.”
 - Have you had a time in your life when you were tempted to give up? Would you be vulnerable and share about that time/experience
- ❖ **Read vs. 44-46**
 - What two approaches did Philip take with Nathaniel?
 - Which one is more natural for you? (“Come and see” or “Go and tell”).
 - How can you do better in the one that is lacking?
- ❖ **Read vs. 47-48**
 - Does it make you feel good or worried that Jesus sees/knows all things?
 - James 5:16 says, “Confess your sins to one another and pray for one another that you may be healed.” Anything that you would like to confess to the group and have us pray for?

Close:

- What encouraged you the most from this lesson?
- What needs to change so you can be a more committed follower of Christ?
- Did you hand out one of the “Gospel of John” booklets this week?
- Close with a prayer time (pray for boldness and intentionality).