

Wait a Minute

John 1:35-51

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One afternoon John and two of his disciples saw Jesus walking by. John said, "Look! There is the Lamb of God!" John's two disciples followed Jesus and spent the rest of the day with him.

One of these men was Andrew, who went to his brother Simon and told him, "We've found the Messiah"

Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Jesus then gave Simon a new name, calling him Cephas, which is an Aramaic word meaning Rock. Translated into Greek, Cephas becomes Petros, which is where we get the name Peter.

Jesus went to Galilee. He met Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Later Philip told Nathanael, "We've found the one Moses and the prophets wrote about! His name is Jesus, and he's from Nazareth."

Nathanael scoffed, "Nazareth! Can anything good come from Nazareth?"

Philip replied, "Come and see for yourself,"

When Jesus saw Nathanael, he said, "Here is a true Israelite, a man of complete integrity."

Nathanael was incredulous. "How could you know anything about me?"

Jesus said, "I could see you under the fig tree before Philip found you."

Nathanael was stunned, "Teacher, you are the Son of God, the King of Israel!"

Jesus said, "Wait a minute. Do you believe just because I told you I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than that. You will all see heaven open and the angels going up and down on the Son of Man, the one who is the stairway between heaven and earth."