#### QUESTIONS TO THINK THIS WEEK,

- 1. How is it possible that those who study the Scriptures, like Nathanael, may also hold deep-seated prejudice like he did?
- 2. Why are we afraid of being fully known?
- 3. Respond to the extraordinary insight that there is nothing you can do that will make God love you less.
- 4. Mention other cases in the Gospels where people are transformed by finding themselves fully known and fully loved by Jesus.
- 5. What is the importance of Jesus revealing Himself as the mediating Stairway between heaven and earth?

# **P** REMINDERS FOR THE WEEK,

#### ONLINE ANNOUNCEMENTS,

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#### ONLINE MEETINGS \*,

Tuesday, 7pm, Women in the Bible with Coloring Wednesday, 7:30pm, Prayer in the Psalms

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### ONLINE GIVING, www.orlandocentral.org/giving

# EXTRAORDINARY DISCIPLESHIP SERIES, #6

# **EXTRAORDINARY INSIGHT**

"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." John 1:41,42

Do you remember something you tried to hide but it was later discovered?

# 1. Let me introduce you...

1.1 Phillip \_\_\_\_\_\_ Nathanael and \_\_\_\_\_

him – *John 1:45a* 

"Philip **found** Nathanael and **told** him..." John 1:45

*1.2* Phillip \_\_\_\_\_\_ the dots for Nathanael – *John 1:45b* 

"We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote — Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." John 1:45b

1.3 Nathanael was full of \_\_\_\_\_\_ John 1:46a

"Nazareth! **Can anything good come from there?**" Nathanael asked." John 1:46a

1.4 As a good disciple, Phillip \_\_\_\_\_\_ the words of Jesus – John 1:46b

"Come and see,' said Philip." John 1:35,40

## 2. THE MESSIAH SEES

2.1 Jesus \_\_\_\_\_\_ Nathanael beyond his \_\_\_\_\_\_, Jonh 1:47

"When **Jesus saw Nathanael** approaching, he said of him, 'Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is **no deceit**'." John 1:47

The Greek word "dolos" can be translated as "deceit." But it could also be defined as "taking advantage through craft and underhanded methods, deceit, cunning, treachery." A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature, F. Danker, p.256

2.2 Nathanael \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus, Jn 1:48a

"How do you know me?" Nathanael asked." John 1:48a

2.3 If you are \_\_\_\_\_\_ to discover Jesus is ready to \_\_\_\_\_\_, Jn 1:48b

Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you." John 1:48b

#### 2.3 Jesus \_\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ you

"You can put this another way by saying that while in other sciences the instruments you use are things external to yourself (things like microscopes and telescopes), the instrument through which you see God is your **whole self.** And if a man's self is not kept clean and bright, his glimpse of God will be blurred — like the Moon seen through a dirty telescope. That is why horrible nations have horrible religions: they have been looking at God through a dirty lens." C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity, p.144

# 3. INSIGHTS

#### 1<sup>st</sup>. GET RID OF YOUR \_\_\_\_\_, Jn 1:49

"Then Nathanael declared, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel.' John 1:49

# 2<sup>nd</sup>. GET \_\_\_\_\_\_ FOR SOMETHING \_\_\_\_\_, Jn 1:50,51

"Jesus said, 'You believe because **I told you** I saw you under the fig tree. **You will see greater things than that.**' He then added, 'Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man'." John 1:50,51

# 3rd. LIVE WITHOUT \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Genesis28:10-25

*"I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Genesis 28:15* 

### STOP HIDING. GET READY FOR THE AMAZING!