

“Redirection”

John 1:35-51

Intro:

I. Reporting - 1:29,35,39, 43

John writes in such a way that the reader understands that he is accurate and precise. Believable. It seems that John would have had to be there to know the exact time.

II. Reaffirmation - 1:35a, 1:29-34

III. Redirection - 1:37-39

IV. Recruitment - 1:40-42

A. Andrew finds Simon - 1:41-42

B. Jesus finds Philip - 1:43

C. Philip finds Nathanael - 1:44-45

V. Research - 1:46b

VI. Recognition 1:47-50

A. Jesus recognizes Nathaniel. - 1:47-48

Whatever and wherever the fig tree was, it clearly impresses Nathaniel!

B. Nathaniel recognizes the Son of God. - 1:49

VII. Revelation - 1:50-51; Genesis 28:10-17

“*Verily, verily*” - used 25 times and only by John. “*Amen*”

Conclusion/Application:

1. Be aware of Jesus! He will change the entire direction of your life! Matthew 4:18-22
2. If you say you don't know or get Jesus, have you really taken a look at him? “*Come and see*” - vs. 1:46
3. Once you are convinced that Jesus is the Christ, you will shamelessly introduce people to him.
4. It seems that from the beginning, one of the best ways to introduce people to Christ is simply friend to friend.
5. Notice how ordinary are the men who Jesus chooses to be his disciples. (Fishermen from a small fishing village.)