



Topeka Bible Church
How to Grow a Disciple
"Discover #1: Discover the Savior"
Community Group Study Questions
John 1:35-51 and selected passages

1. Briefly describe the moment (or season) of your life when you discovered the Savior. *John 1* includes around twelve titles for Jesus. How many of these titles can you find in this passage? Notice also the visual language ("look," "see," "find," etc.).

2. How did John the Baptist know that Jesus was the "Lamb of God" (*John 1:36, 29*)? What was the significance of this title (*Genesis 22:8; Isaiah 53:7; 1 Peter 1:18-91; Revelation 5:12*)? Why did Andrew and the other disciples immediately follow Jesus (*John 1:37; cf. Mark 1:17-18*)?

3. What question did Jesus ask these two men in *John 1:38*? Did these two men merely want to see where Jesus was staying or did they want more? Is Jesus' statement in *John 1:39* ("Come and see") deeper than it appears on the surface? Explain.

4. What did Andrew do once he "discovered" Jesus (*John 1:41-42; cf. 45*)? Did a friend or member of your family help you to discover the Savior? Have you helped a friend or family member discover the Savior? Who can you still help to do this?

5. In *John 1:43* did Philip discover Jesus or vice versa? What is more appropriate to say: That we discover the Savior or that the Savior discovers us (*Romans 8:29-30; Ephesians 1:3-6; 2:1, 4-7*)? How should we answer this question in light of God's grace (*Ephesians 2:8-9; 2 Timothy 1:9*)?

6. Philip understands who Jesus is (*John 1:45; Deuteronomy 18:15; Luke 24:27*), but Nathanael is doubtful (*John 1:46, 11*)? Were Jesus' words about Nathanael a compliment or an objective statement (*John 1:47*)? How quickly did Nathanael's perspective change once he discovered the Savior (*John 1:49; cf. 20:28*)?

7. Jesus promises Nathanael that he will see "greater things" as a result of discovering Him (*John 1:50-51*). Give some examples of "greater things" that you have witness since you discovered the Savior (or rather, since He discovered you; *Ephesians 3:20*). What greater things can we still look forward to (*Revelation 21:1-4*)?

Memory Verse:

"He found first his own brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which translated means Christ)."
(John 1:41, NASB)