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John 1:43-51

Philip and Nathanael

43 The next day, Jesus . . . found Philip and said to him, "Follow me!" 44 Philip was from Bethsaida, the same town where Andrew and Peter lived. 45 Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one whom Moses wrote about in the law. The prophets wrote about him, too! He is Jesus, the son of Joseph, from the village of Nazareth."

46 Nathanael said to him, "Out of Nazareth!? Is it possible for anything good to come from Nazareth!?"

Philip said to him, "Come and see for yourself!"

47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him. Jesus said this about Nathanael: "Look, here is a real man of Israel! There is nothing false about him!"

48 Nathanael asked Jesus, "From where do you know me?"

Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you to come here, I saw you under that fig tree!"

49 And Nathanael answered Jesus, "Rabbi, YOU are the Son of God! YOU are the king of the people of Israel!"

50 Jesus answered him, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under that fig tree? You will see even greater things than this. 51 I am telling you the truth: You will all see heaven open and God's angels coming down and going up from me."