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**Men's Fellowship Breakfast**

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# **Follow Me: Lessons from the Lives of the Disciples**

**#3 – “Greater Things Than These”  
John 1:43-51**

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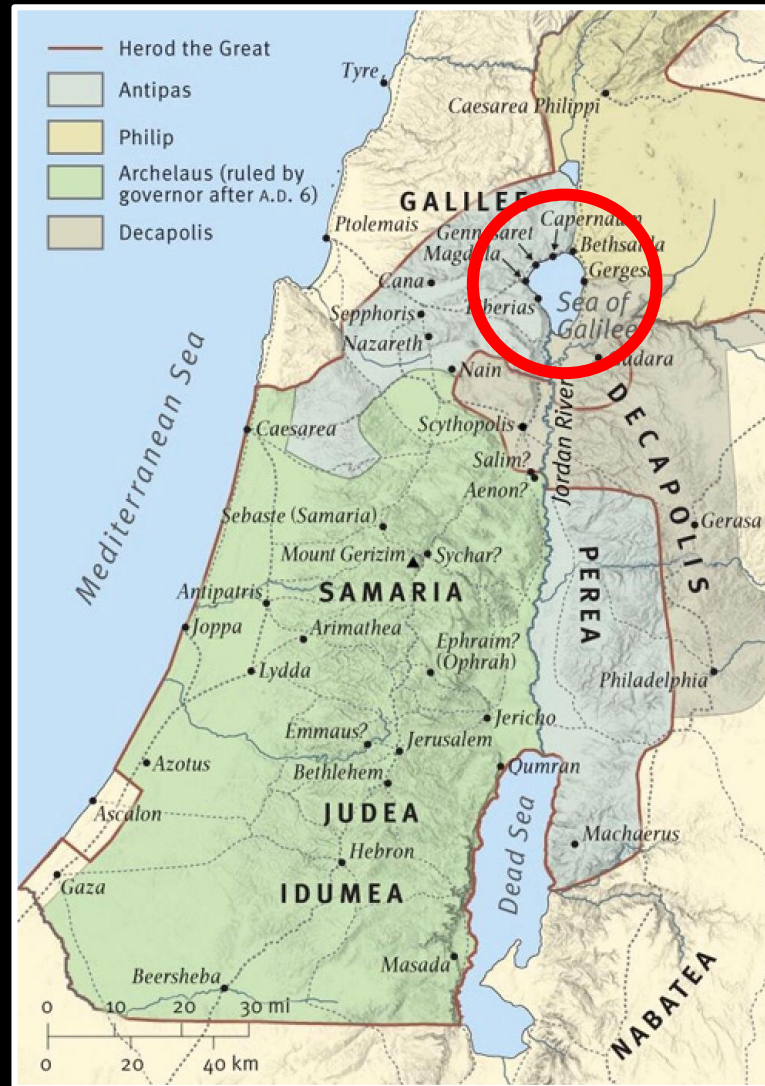
# Thesis for our Semester

**Jesus uses *ordinary* men to accomplish His *extraordinary* mission.**

# A “disciple” is called to ...

- 1) ... faith in Jesus Christ. (*Salvation*)
- 2) ... follow after Jesus Christ and obey Him. (*Sanctification*)
- 3) ... fulfill the mission of Jesus Christ and tell others about Him.  
(*Mission*)
- 4) ... family in Christ’s Church (*koinonia*)

# Context for John 1:43-51



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<sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup> Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." <sup>46</sup> Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup> Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup> Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." <sup>49</sup> Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup> Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup> And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

# Find, Tell, Invite

<sup>39</sup> He (Jesus) said to them, “Come and you will see.”

<sup>41</sup> He (Andrew) first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ).

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# Skepticism to Belief

**Verse 46: “Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?””**

**Verses 49-50: “Nathanael answered him, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe?””**



# What Follows Knowing Jesus?

## Called to Witness: To Others

**<sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.”**

## Called to Witness: Great Things

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## Discussion Questions:

- 1) Who are you needing to witness to?
  - Regardless of their skepticism  
(Find, Tell, and Invite)
- 2) What are the “greater things” you are desiring to witness in God?

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