

Humbly Accept

Description

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John 1:43-51

Philip is an excited new follower of Jesus. He finds his friend Nathaniel and tells him that he has met the One promised by Moses and the prophets. He tells him it is Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph. Nathaniel is a learned man of reason. He is not aware of any promise for the Messiah to be a Nazarene. But Philip simply gives Nathaniel the invitation to come and see.

For reason to turn to faith, an early step is to humbly accept the invitation to investigate the evidence firsthand. As they approach Jesus, the Lord tells Nathaniel about where he had been and what he had been doing. Philip nor anyone else had been there to reveal it to Jesus.

The next three steps for reason to turn to faith all happen rather quickly for Nathaniel. He humbly accepts Jesus as his teacher by saying "Rabbi." Then he humbly accepts Jesus as the Son of God. Finally, he humbly accepts Jesus as King.

Transformation is not far off for our pre-Christian friends. Follow these steps of leading them in humble acceptance.

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