

---

## L. UNDERSTANDING THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE

### L.10 I know why Jesus invited his disciples to “come and see.” John 1:33-39

---

**A STORY** All relationships are a dimension of time and commitment. If you want to grow in your relationship with your children, with your wife you will need to increase your time and commitment. This concept was shared with a man who was skeptical about who Jesus claimed to be. The point was if you want to really get to know Jesus you will need to follow what some curious disciples had heard about Jesus from John the Baptist. Jesus’ reply was insightful. The following passage may give us a clue to how to do this.

#### **DIGGING INTO THE BIBLE**

John 1:33-39

And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup> I have seen and I testify that this is God’s Chosen One.” <sup>35</sup> The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup> When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup> When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?” They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup> “Come,” he replied, “and you will see.” So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

#### **DISCUSSION AND DISCOVERY**

1. Who is the speaker of this first sentence?
2. What was his claim about Jesus?
3. The man with two disciples made a statement about Jesus. What did that mean?
4. What made these disciples curious about who Jesus was?
5. What did they then do?
6. Why do you think they were so curious?
7. How did Jesus answer their curiosity?
8. Why do you think this is important as we learn more about Jesus?

### **APPLICATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

9. How does this impact you if you were curious? What would Jesus say to you?
10. Would you be interested in reading the rest of John and discover more of who Jesus is?
11. When would be a good time to start that reading?