

**We Meet God** | January 25, 2026 | Luke Dahlenburg

## BIBLE READING

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### **John 1:35-51 (NIV)**

<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.

<sup>40</sup> Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup> The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). <sup>42</sup> And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter).

<sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup> Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida.

<sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." <sup>46</sup> "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip.

<sup>47</sup> When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit." <sup>48</sup> "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you."

<sup>49</sup> Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel." <sup>50</sup> Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that." <sup>51</sup> He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man."

# OUTLINE

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Jesus' Question: "What do you really want?" (1:38)

## 1. **Come and See Jesus** (1:35–39)

- i. Curiosity leads to following
- ii. Jesus invites people to be with him
- iii. Clarity begins by spending time with Jesus

## 2. **Found by Jesus, Changed by Jesus** (1:40–42)

- i. Jesus knows us deeply
- ii. Jesus gives a new identity
- iii. Discipleship is grace before doing

## 3. **Come and See Together** (1:43–51)

- i. Disciples invite others: "Come and see"
- ii. Jesus meets people personally and truly knows them
- iii. Jesus is the meeting place of heaven and earth
- iv. Disciples keep learning and seeing more of him

## Living It Out

What do you really want in life – is it to keep coming and seeing Jesus?

Who will you meet Jesus with this week?

## MY ONE THING

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What's one thing that struck, challenged, or encouraged you today? Take 60 seconds to write it down. Then share it over morning tea.

