

THE MESSIAH: ISRAEL'S TRUE KING

JOHN 1:35-49

The first chapter of John's gospel resembles an art gallery in which a master hung his masterpieces in the beautiful names of the Lord.

- ***LOGOS/THE WORD/THE LIGHT/THE LIFE***
- The ***SON OF GOD***
- The ***LAMB OF GOD*** that takes away the sin of the world
- Next name: ***MESSIAH***/The Anointed One/The Christ

HOWZIT WAT UP BRUDDAHS

This is some real ministry—street style, Jesus style.

- This was not Seminary and Theology 204 with the best and brightest candidates that had scored high on their entrance exams being tested on their biblical knowledge.
- These guys were Galilean fishermen who spoke Aramaic with a local dialect that was considered unlearned, yet they were the first disciples selected!

God looks at the heart not just the head.

HOW JESUS DID MINISTRY

Jesus asked Andrew and John to spend the day with Him.

- Jesus was looking for ***RELATIONSHIP*** not religion.
- They were both so impressed by the ***RELATIONSHIP*** that they found their brothers and brought them to Jesus.
- Andrew found Simon and John brought James; they doubled their church that day.

***Oh that we would imitate Jesus' style of
RELATIONAL one-on-one evangelism.***

WHO IS MESSIAH?

Messiah is a Hebrew word that means “*anointed*,” and the Greek equivalent is “*Christ*.”

- To the Jews, it was the same as “Son of God.”
MATT. 26:63-64; MARK 14:61-62; LUKE 22:67-70
- Kings were especially called “God’s anointed” (**1 SAM. 26:11; PS. 89:20**), so when the Jews spoke about their Messiah, they were thinking of the king who would come to deliver them and establish the earthly kingdom.

JESUS GAVE A PERSONAL INVITATION!

“Come and See.” JOHN 1:39

- Get personal about your testimony of who Jesus is and ask people to come and see your life!
- Peter and James came to Christ because of the compassionate, personal work of their brothers.
- Personal/relational ministry is that we first trust Christ, and then seek to bring others to Him by letting them *“come and see”* in our lives.

***THE PROMISED KING* v. 43-49**

Really, are you sure? Talk about humble beginnings!

JOHN 21:2 suggests that at least seven of our Lord's royal cabinet (disciples) were fishermen, including Nathanael.

- Jesus was born in Bethlehem, but He grew up in Nazareth and bore that stigma. **MATT. 2:19-23**
- To be called a “Nazarene” (**ACTS 24:5**) meant to be looked down on and rejected.
- But Nathanael would soon see the King.

THE KING OF ISRAEL v. 49

God's Anointed King was Jesus, as foretold in **PS. 2:1-7.**

- The King is also the Son!
- Jesus had many names and fulfilled them all!
- The Messiah is also the rightful deed holder to this earth. **1 TIMOTHY 6:11-16**
- Even Jesus' uniform has His name on it! **REV. 19:6**

Jesus, the Messiah, is the King of Israel/The Word/The Light/The Life/The Lamb who takes away our sin!