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*The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 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." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."*

*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? You will see greater things than these." **John 1:43-46, 49-50 (ESV)***

## THEOLOGY OF PLACE

- **PHOTISMOS** – "ILLUMINATION" – INSIGHT INTO EXISTING TRUTH
- **GNOSIS** – "KNOWLEDGE" – DESCRIPTION OF NEW TRUTH
- **DIDACHE** – "TEACHING" – INSTRUCTION IN KNOWN TRUTH
- **SOPHIA** – "WISDOM" – UNDERSTANDING INTO LIFE'S REALITIES
- **EU-ANGELION** – "GOSPEL" – GOOD NEWS

"An 'angel' was a messenger that brought news of a real event that had occurred in history which had direct and dramatic implications for the hearers of that message." - James Brownson

## THEOLOGY OF PURSUIT

- **JESUS IS LOOKING FOR US IN THE PRESENT.**

He found Phillip and said to him, "Follow me"

*Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" 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."*

**John 1:47-48 (ESV)**

- **JESUS KNOWS ALL ABOUT OUR PAST.**

*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." **John 1:50 (ESV)***

- **JESUS HAS GOOD PLANS FOR OUR FUTURE.**

"The best way to be at peace with the past and to be engaged in the present, is to trust that you have a good in your future."

## ONE KEY TAKEAWAY

From this message, what is the one key takeaway you will apply to grow your faith?