

Sermon Title: Taste and See

Sermon Text: John 1:43-51

Date: January 21, 2024

Reread John 1:43-51 together as a group.

1. This week's sermon encourages us to "taste and see that the Lord is good" (Psalm 34:8). How can we cultivate this spiritual curiosity? Are there specific actions or attitudes that can help?
2. Do you ever think of Jesus' invitation to "Follow me" (verse 43) as an invitation to spend time with him? How appealing is this aspect of his invitation to you personally?
3. This sermon touches on the idea of letting go of preconceived notions about how God works (see verses 45-46). How have preconceived notions hindered your understanding or experience of God in the past? How can we actively let go of such preconceived ideas? (Compare with Isaiah 55:8-9).
4. Nathanael was stunned to discover that Jesus already knew him before they met (see verses 47-49). What do you imagine it to be like to be so fully known by Jesus? (Compare with Psalm 139:2-3).
5. Reflect on Jesus' promise to Nathanael that he will see greater things if he keeps following (verse 50). What does this mean for *our* spiritual journey? How does the idea of seeing greater things motivate or inspire you? (Compare with John 14:12).
6. How can we encourage others to "taste and see" that the Lord is good? What role does personal testimony play in inviting others to explore and experience a relationship with God?