

February Memory Verse: "For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace."

John 1:16 ESV
Series: Jesus Is (7)
Title: Jesus Knows
Scripture: John 1:43-51

Question: Do we find Jesus/God or does Jesus/God find us?

Answer: The Father draws us to Jesus and then we learn Jesus. (1 Cor. 2:10,

John 6:44)

How does salvation and calling work? How do I know God's plans for my life?

- Divine initiation (v. 43)
- Personal investigation (v. 45)

John 6:37

Divine Initiation (Sovereignty of God)

- 1. Jesus wants you and He's inviting you to follow Him. (v. 43)
- 2. Jesus knows everything about you and He still wants you. (vs. 46-47)
 - a. He knows you have sinful prejudices and uninformed judgments. (vs. 46-47)
 - b. He knows if you are honest with yourself and others.
- 3. Jesus has the whole world (including you) in His hands. (vs. 50-51)

Personal Investigation (Free will of Man) - What is my responsibility?

- 1. Respond to God's Invitation. Believe and Follow Jesus. (vs. 43, 48-49)
 - Belief is where Divine initiation and human choice/personal investigation meet.
- 2. Saturate in the Word of God. (vs. 45)

(Hear, read, study, memorize, meditate, proclaim and DO the Word of God)
"A Bible that is falling apart usually belongs to someone who is not"-Charles Spurgeon.
"The Bible has hands- it grabs hold of me and feet -it runs after me."- Martin Luther.

- 3. Be an honest inviting friend and receive honest inviting friends. (vs. 46-47)
- 4. Learn about spiritual and physical needs around us and in the world. (v. 46)
- 5. Look at what God is doing and go wherever He leads. Go with God. (vs. 50-51)

