



Jesus calls his first disciples

John 1:35-51

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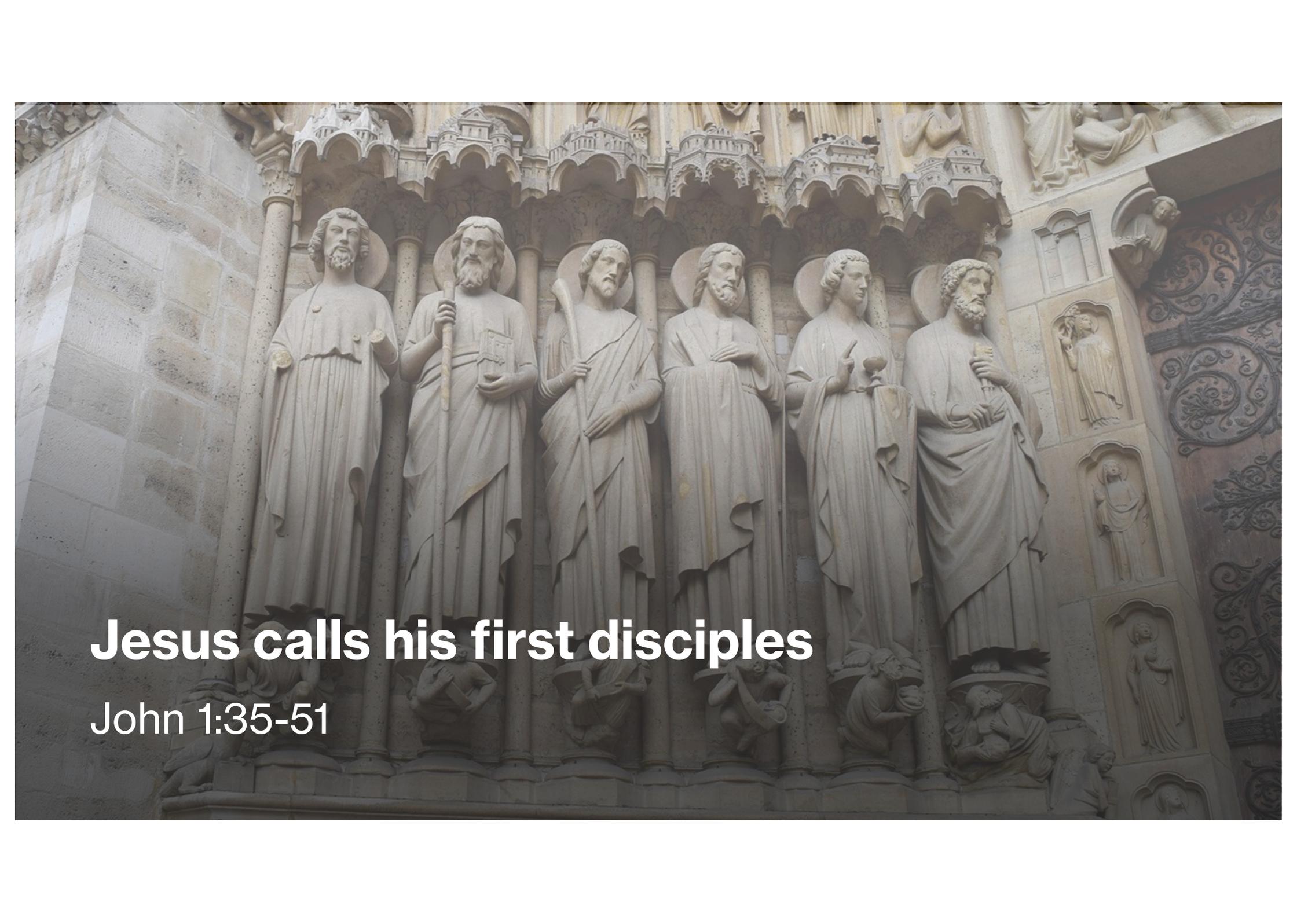


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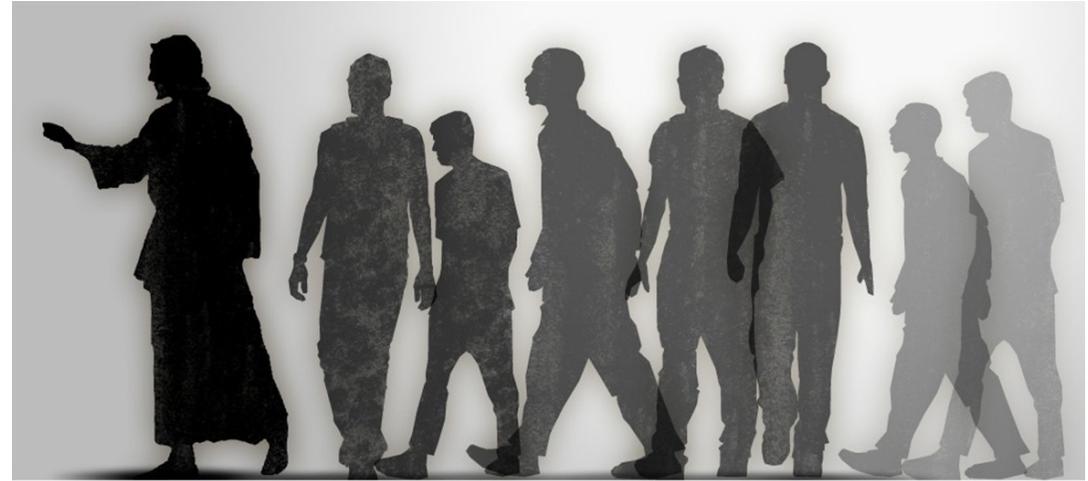
A person with short brown hair, wearing a dark red t-shirt, stands on a suspension bridge at night. The bridge has metal railings and a chain-link mesh floor. The background is a dense, dark forest illuminated by a soft, ethereal light source, possibly the moon or a distant light, creating a misty atmosphere. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

Believing

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Responding to John's Gospel

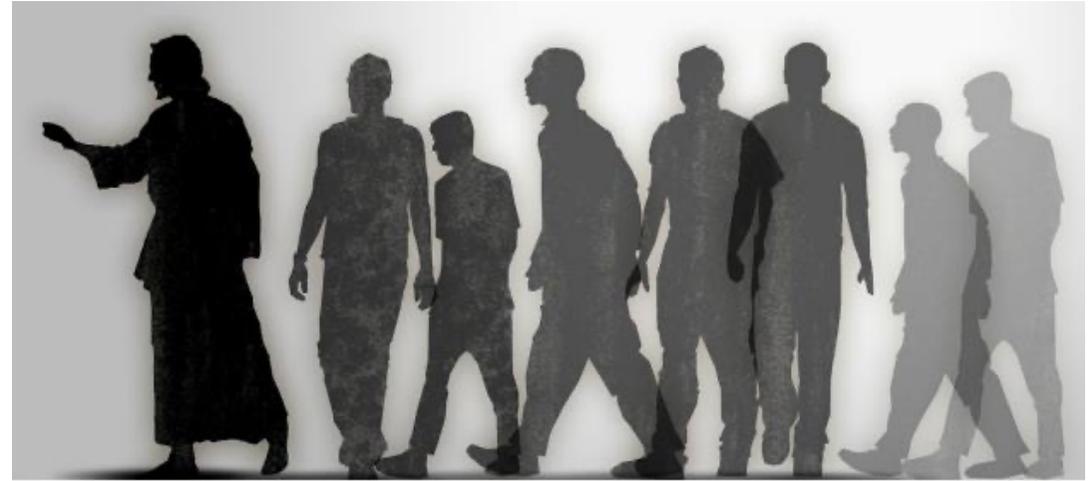
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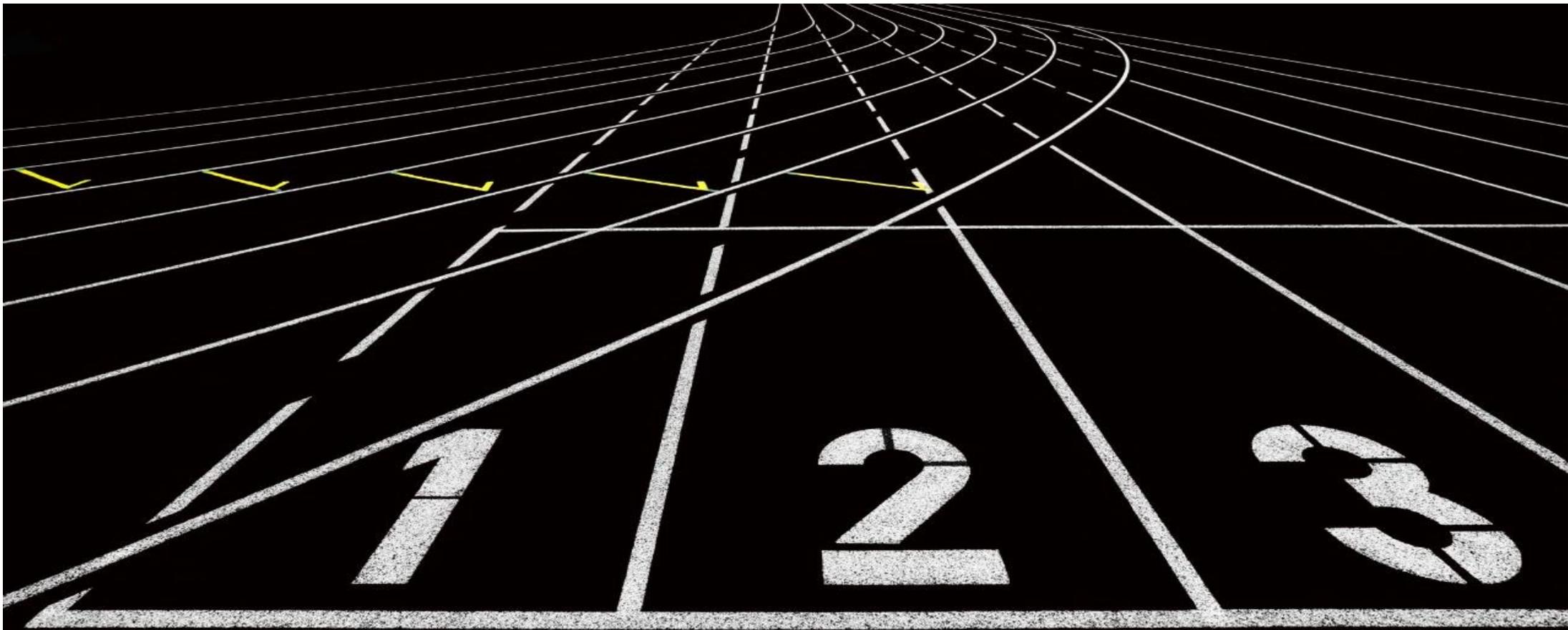
1:19-28 Forerunner of Jesus
1:29-34 Appearance of Jesus



Developing a Humble Spirit

(John 1:19-34)

1:35-51 Followers of Jesus



³⁵ The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples,
³⁶ and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the
Lamb of God!”



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Shifting
Allegiances

... *“Behold, the Lamb of God!”* ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.



... “What are you seeking?”

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³⁸ Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them,
“What are you seeking?”

⁷ “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ⁹ Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? ¹⁰ Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? ¹¹ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

Matthew 7:1-11

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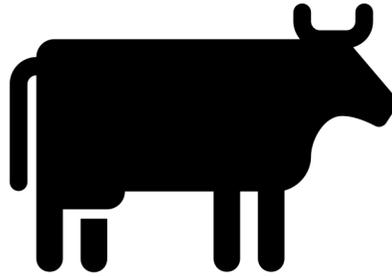
... “What are you seeking?”

.. And they said to him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹ He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour.

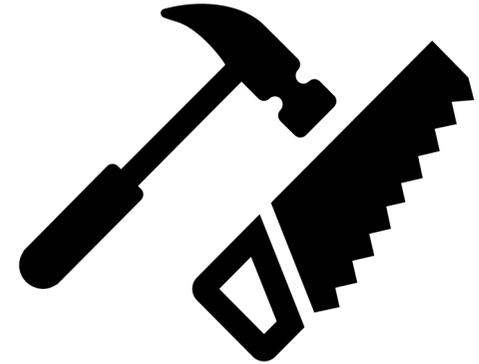
Pattern of Obedience in Exodus



25-31



32-34



35-40



The Unknown Disciple

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⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ).



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⁴² He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon the son of John. You shall be called Cephas” (which means Peter).



⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ 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."



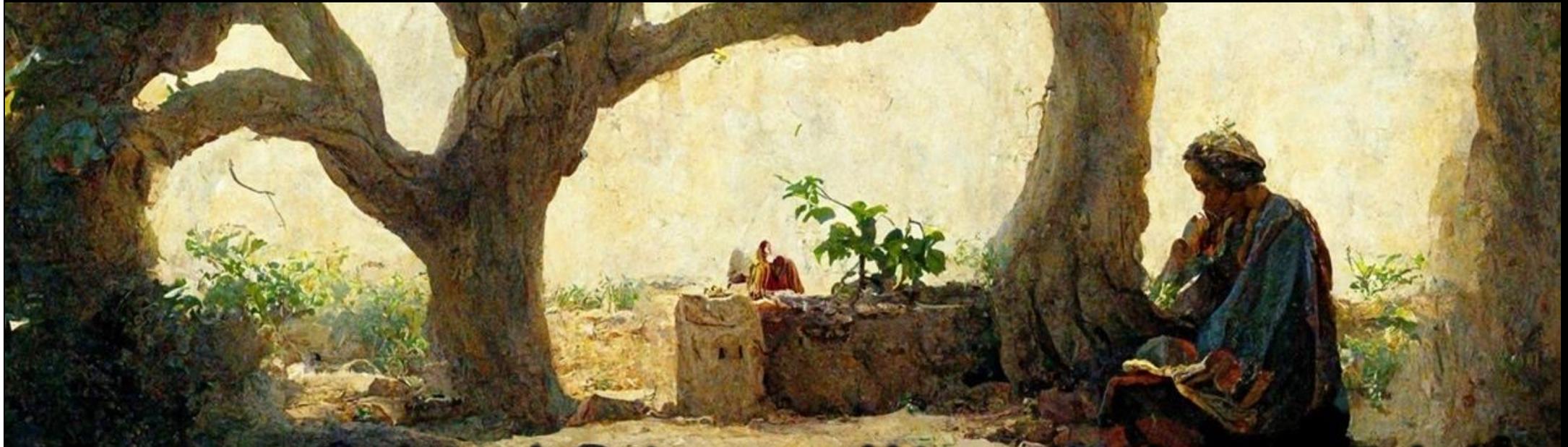
Eph 4:14

so that we may no longer be children,
tossed to and fro by the waves and carried
about by every wind of doctrine, by human
cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

⁴⁶ Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.”

Under the Fig Tree = Safety and Leisure

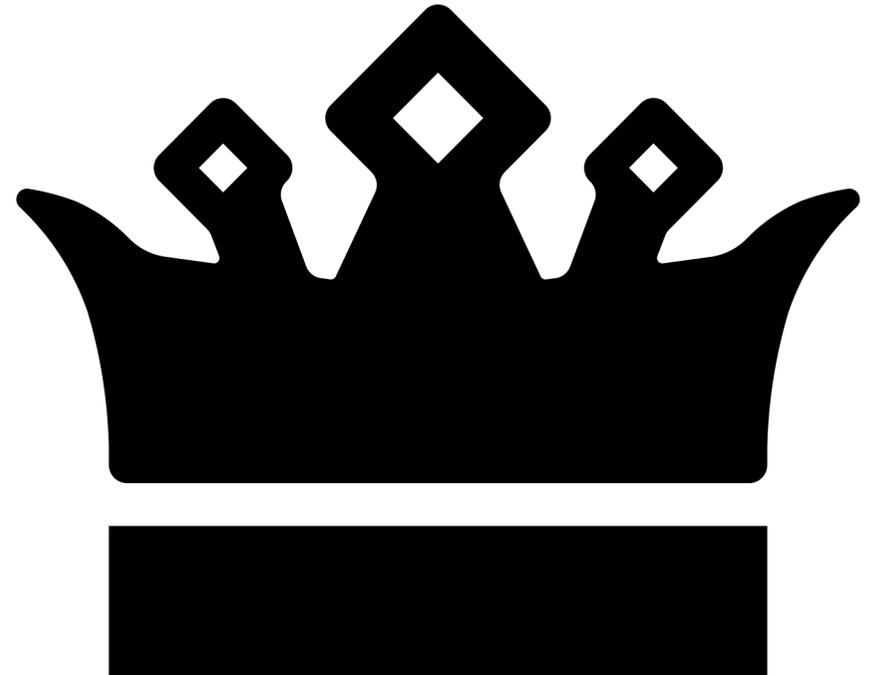
1 Kings 4:25; Micah 4:4; Zech. 3:10

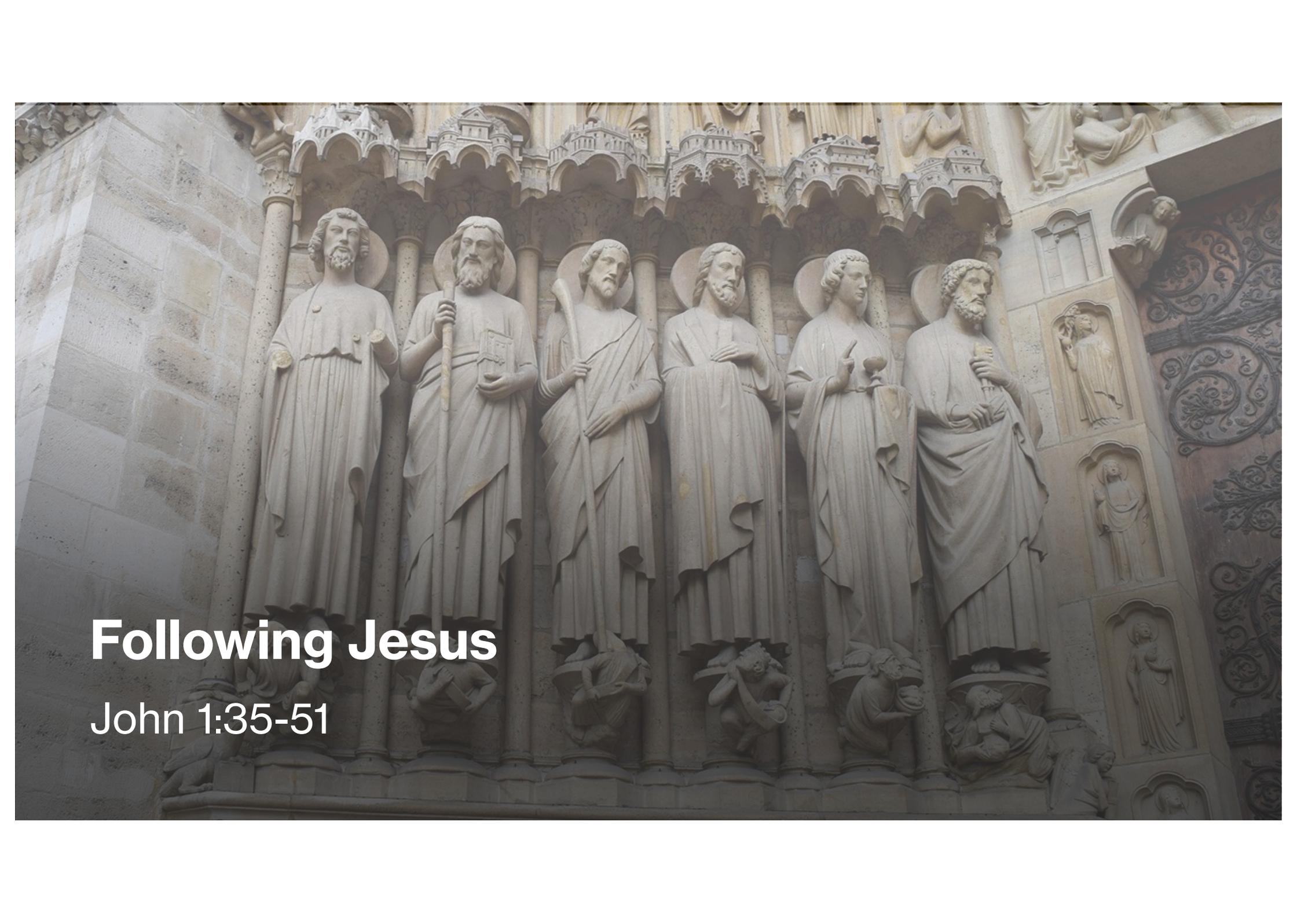


⁴⁷ Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!” ⁴⁸ Nathanael said to him, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.”

Who is Jesus

⁴⁹ Nathanael answered him,
“Rabbi, you are the Son of God!
You are the King of Israel!”





Following Jesus

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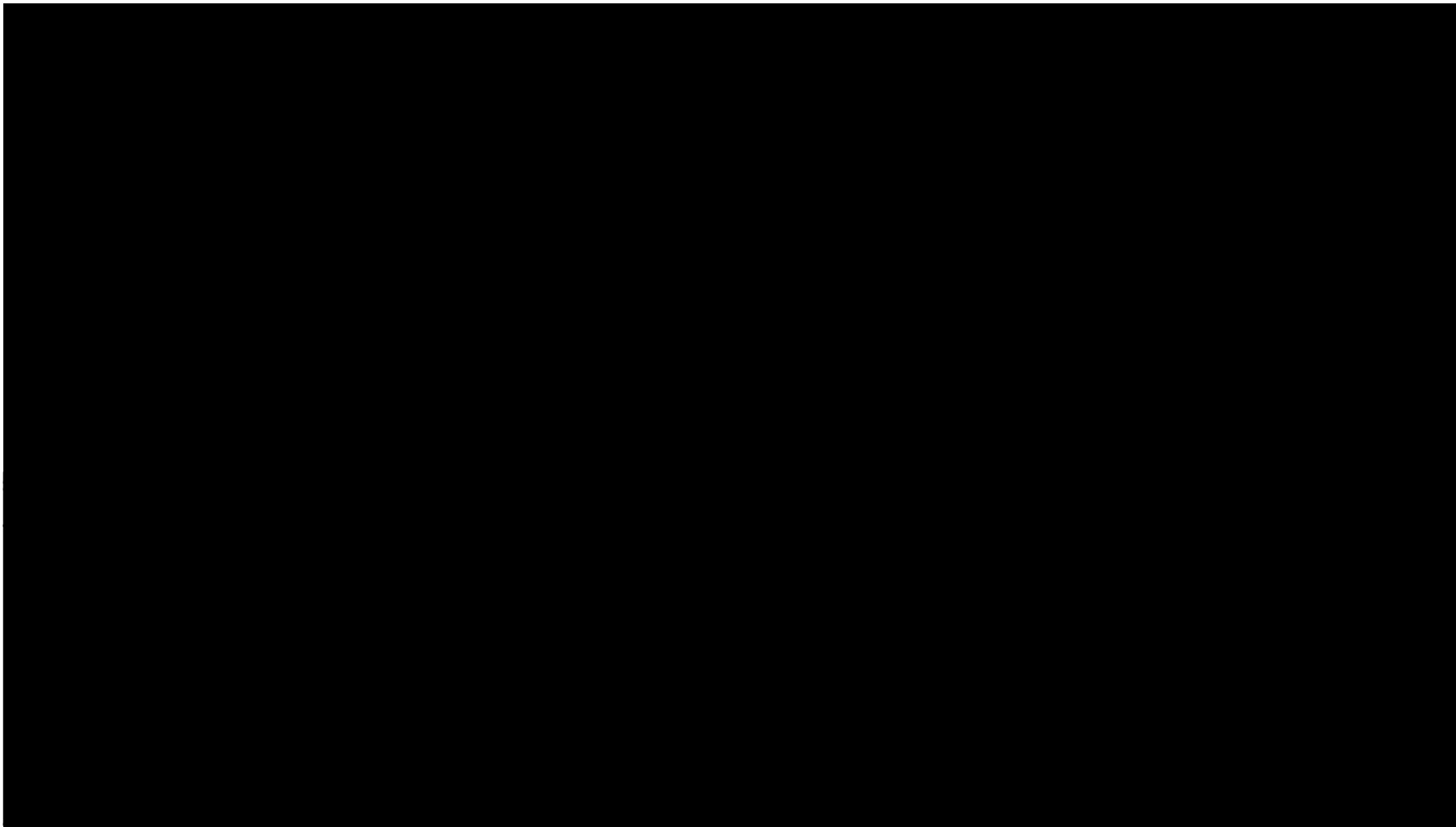
1. Following Jesus requires obedience (35-39).
2. Following Jesus means focusing on Him, not ourselves (40).
3. Following Jesus means learning who he is (41).
4. Following Jesus means allowing God to work in our lives (42).
5. Following Jesus means telling others about Him (41 & 43-45).
6. Following Jesus means seeing how He fulfills the promises of the Old Testament (45).
7. Following Jesus means knowing him personally, not just from the testimony of others (46).
8. Following Jesus means meditating on God's word (47-48).
9. Following Jesus means knowing he is the son of God (49).
10. Following Jesus means witnessing great things (50-51).



⁵⁰ 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." ⁵¹ And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

**Although there
are many ways to
follow Jesus,
there is only one
way to heaven:
THROUGH
JESUS.**





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