

WELCOME!
Men's Fellowship Breakfast

September 25, 2020

Follow Me: Lessons from the Lives of the Disciples

**#3 – “Greater Things Than These”
John 1:43-51**

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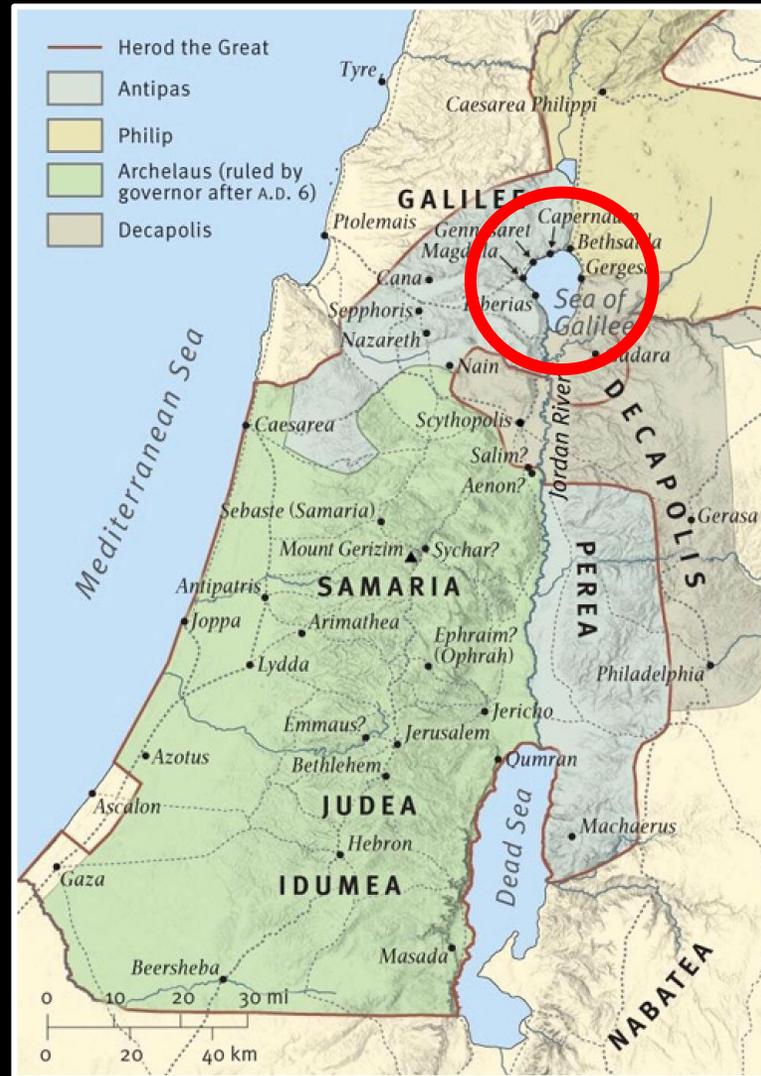
Thesis for our Semester

Jesus uses *ordinary* men to accomplish His *extraordinary* mission.

A “disciple” is called to ...

- 1) ... faith in Jesus Christ. (*Salvation*)
- 2) ... follow after Jesus Christ and obey Him. (*Sanctification*)
- 3) ... fulfill the mission of Jesus Christ and tell others about Him.
(*Mission*)
- 4) ... family in Christ’s Church (*koinonia*)

Context for John 1:43-51



John 1:43-51

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Find, Tell, Invite

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⁴¹ He (Andrew) first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ).

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Skepticism to Belief

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What Follows Knowing Jesus?

Called to Witness: To Others

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Called to Witness: Great Things

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Discussion Questions:

- 1) Who are you needing to witness to?
 - Regardless of their skepticism
(Find, Tell, and Invite)
- 2) What are the “greater things” you are desiring to witness in God?

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