

# An Encounter with Jesus

## What's the Big Deal About Jesus? Part VI

John 1:35-51  
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### I. An encounter with Jesus leads to...

#### A. Wrestling with who Jesus is (verses 36, 38, 41, 49).

“Disciples must know who Jesus is, and they must have a personal experience that completely reorients who they are.”

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“Being a follower of Jesus does not mean thoughtlessly following a person named Jesus. It does not mean having an experience that is void of theological content. Discipleship is a necessary commitment to content as well as conversion; it is a form of persuasion that includes both the heart and the mind.”

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#### B. Becoming a follower of Jesus (verse 43). Following Jesus involves submission and a relationship.

#### C. Pointing others to Jesus (verses 41, 45).

### II. Questions to ponder:

A. Have you ever come to the point in your life where you understood in your heart who Jesus is and have you chosen to follow Him?

B. In order to follow Jesus, what must you give up?

C. How would you describe your relationship with Jesus?

D. Who do you need to point to Jesus?



## **Discussion Questions to go Deeper**

Take some time this week to discuss these questions with family or friends based on John 1:35-51:

1. What have you learned about Jesus from your “encounters” with Him?
2. How does an encounter with Jesus make the truth of who He is crystal clear?
3. How does one experience the reality of Jesus today (since He is not physically on this earth)?
4. What does it mean to be a follower of Jesus Christ?
5. What do “encounters with Jesus” lead to?
6. How has encountering Jesus changed your life? How would your life be different had you never encountered Jesus?
7. In order to follow Jesus, what must you give up?
8. Who do you need to point to Jesus?