

Sermon Notes

Date: 6/23/2024

Title: Bad, Bad Bethsaida

Speaker: Larry Hall

Topic: _____

Scripture:

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God." When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" "Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter). The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me." Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. John 1:35-46



Notes/Reflection

"Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.
Matthew 11:21

Despite fact that they were raised in THAT town, five local boys became disciples of Christ. Yes -

- ★ Brothers, Peter and Andrew
- ★ Brothers, James, John and Philip

they heard the call of Christ, "Follow me."

Jesus specializes in invading the wrong side of the tracks. And he says to us, "Follow me."

THE LORD KNOWS!

"...he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death - even death on a cross!"

-Philippians 2:7-8



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Nathanael - "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?"

---THAT TOWN---

Philip - "Come and see."

That's always been invitation to those of us who don't feel we quite measure up. Come and see Someone who understands!!!



Notes:

"I told the Lord that He could have all that there is of William Booth."
-William Booth