Discussion Questions
John 1:35-51

- Read Jeremiah 29:11-13. What was the situation of Israel when God spoke this to them through Jeremiah? What does God promise in this text? What characterizes those who receive this promise?

- List six names or descriptions of Jesus given in this text. What does each one tell us about the identity of Jesus?

- Why does Jesus change Simon Peter’s name and then say what he says to Nathaniel? What would this action mean for Simon Peter and Nathaniel?

- Biblical names often represent characteristics of the one named, so name changes signify changes in a person’s life and character. If Jesus were to meet you and change your name, what character would he change you from and what character would he change you into?

- Read 2 Corinthians 5:17. Does this text sound like a partial or complete transformation? Do you live like a new creation? What old is gone? How does the bible describe the “new” that you are in Christ?

- If some objective person audited your checkbook and your calendar what would they conclude you are seeking? What specifically would lead them to their conclusion?

- Describe how and when you encountered Jesus (if you have). What were you doing when you encountered him?

- What are you doing currently to actively seek Jesus? Should we continue to seek him after we have encountered him? If so why and how specifically should we go about it?