



A GOD-LIVED LIFE

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MONTH 1

A Life of Being a Disciple

This month, the particular focus of the God-lived life is that of being a disciple, a learner, one who grows in God's Word. May God's Word cause us to crave that pure spiritual milk so that by it we grow up in our salvation.

WEEK 4

Each week in our God-Lived Life Challenge, we'll have a midweek devotion to remind us what it's all about—why we do what we do. **This week, God shows us how the blessings of being a disciple overflow.**

GOD GIVES YOU MORE THAN YOU KNOW

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."

John 1:45

Have you ever bought clothes from a thrift store and found cash in the pocket, perhaps more than you used to buy them? Did you ever pull away from visiting grandpa and grandma only to discover an hour later that they snuck something into your pocket? What pleasant surprises!

Some Bible students are convinced that Nathanael was reading the Law and the Prophets under his fig tree when Philip called him to come meet Jesus. Regardless, Nathanael knew the Scriptures and he knew what to look for in the Messiah. Jesus had to fill in the blanks for him. And he did. Nathanael cried out, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel." Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that."

That is how it is with our study of the Bible. God gives us the answer we were looking for as well as additional comfort, courage, or a truth to hold onto and apply in our lives and relationships. He gives us more than we asked for, more than we bargained for, so much more than we deserve or could imagine.

What a pleasant surprise! He loves us so much that he wants to grow us through his Word. He gives us more and more and keeps us coming back to learn from him. He shows us greater and greater things. May God bless your time with him in the Word.