

## Sermon Discussion Guide



Date: **August 2, 2020** Sermon Title: **Ordinary Andy** Scripture Text: **John 1:35-42**

We all need to know and understand our purpose. It helps us focus our attention and gives us direction. We as Christians, as we are transformed into the likeness of Christ, 'God's purpose becomes our purpose, then we have real purpose'. In today's sermon, we learned about 'ordinary Andy', and his extraordinary impact. Andrew saw his purpose in the context of God's greater purpose.

### 3 Traits of an Ordinary Andy

#### I. Priceless Possession (John 1:35-39, 41)

Andrew heard John the Baptist state that Jesus was the "Lamb of God". Immediately, Andrew started following Jesus. Once he realized Jesus was the Messiah, he was so excited, he had to tell someone. He found his brother, Simon Peter and shared with him; "'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated "the Christ")"

- **What did Andrew mean when he asked Jesus, "where are you staying?" (vs.39)?**
- **Why was Andrew so excited that he had found the Messiah?**
- **How excited do you get with your relationship with Jesus?**
  - **Does the excitement grow over time? Why/Why not?**
- **What can you do to rekindle the excitement you have in your relationship with Christ, and to keep the excitement there?**

#### II. Position (John 1:40, 42)

Andrew was not part of Jesus' inner circle, as his brother Peter was. But he was content with the position he had, which God equipped him for. We do not need to seek position or prominence. We need to be content where God has us and depend on His equipping to be effective, right where we are.

- **What impact did Andrew have on history, just be bringing his brother Peter to Jesus?**
- **Why are we tempted to pursue position or prominence?**
  - **What is the danger in doing so?**
- **How can you develop a more humble attitude regardless of your position?**
  - **How can humility positively affect your ministry?**

#### III. Passion (John 1:41)

Andrew had a passion for God. You see it as a follower of John the Baptist, and then as a follower of Jesus Christ. By that passion, he brought others to Jesus. He saw the need others had, and how it was Jesus who could meet those needs.

- **Review the three examples Pastor Brian mentioned of Andrew bringing others to Jesus.**
- **Think back on your salvation experience. Who brought you to Jesus?**
- **How can you develop a passion for bringing others to Jesus?**

**These are extraordinary times we find ourselves in today. How can you balance safety with engaging others for Christ?**

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