

Sermon Outline/Notes

"What Do You Seek?"

John 1:35-42 (1 Thessalonians 1:2-10)

Introduction

- In following Jesus, What do you seek?
- Some people are happy to just **smell** the gospel at a distance

I. **Follow Jesus (up close)** – 2 disciples of John follow Jesus to learn more about Him & became true followers of Jesus (vs. 35-39; Isaiah 53:2; John 47; 6:37; James 4:1-2)

II. **Proclaim Jesus** (vs. 40-42; 2 Timothy 2:19)

- "We have found the Messiah" – The nature of true faith doesn't conceal or quench the light, but spreads it in every direction - Calvin

Conclusion/Application

- "What do I seek as I follow Jesus?" Is it to be taught by Him in His word; ruled by Him according to His word in the power of the Holy Spirit; to wholly embrace by faith His redemption as new creation in Christ (Ephesians 1:3)
- Spread to others the good news of Jesus Christ – "We have found the Christ – it is Jesus" – be a "stone" standing steadfast in proclaiming the gospel (1 Peter 2:4-5; Philippians 1:27; 1 Thessalonians 1:8)