Pray together to enter the study
Read text aloud (2-3 verses per person)

FRAME *2 min to read aloud*

An eye-witness account of Jesus' life written by His follower, John.

In Jewish tradition those studying the Old Testament (OT) were waiting for 'the Messiah' to come, as was predicted in the OT.

Nazareth is the very small, rural town where Jesus was born.

OBSERVE

5 min to reflect alone, 5 min to all share

Imagine yourself in the story. What do you see, hear, and smell?

Look for repeated words, comparisons, contrasts, and cause and effect.

Note characters, relationships, locations, time, actions, and reactions.

INTERPRET

3 min to gather q's, 12 min to discuss

Develop some questions based on your observations. What stirs your curiosity?

Imagine the perspective of the people in the scene.

Answer your questions from the text and context.

SUMMARIZE & SPOTLIGHT

1 min to read the summary aloud

Philip followed Jesus and went to excitedly share with his friend, Nathaneal, that Jesus is the Messiah. Nathanael was skeptical, but then got to experience Jesus' power.

3 min to individually write a main point
2 min for all to share, end with leader

WEEK 5: INVITED TO INVITE OTHERS

John 1:43 – 51 (NIV)

43 The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to
him, "Follow me."

44 Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. 45 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."

46 "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked.
"Come and see," said Philip.

47 When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an
Israelite in whom there is no deceit."

48 "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked.
Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before
Philip called you."

49 Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king
of Israel."

50 Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You
will see greater things than that." 51 He then added, "Very truly I tell
you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and
descending on' the Son of Man."

INVITATION

5 min for individual reflection, 5 min to share as a group

What would it look like to invite others to "come and see" Jesus? Think of the one or two people you prayed for last week. Pray for them now and commit to inviting them to your next study. Set a reminder to invite them next week.

CONCLUDE

5 min to pray for each other and your applications

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