

Valley Bible Church – Sermon Notes

Sermon Notes for October 11-12, 2003

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"Andrew, Simon Peter's Brother"

John 1:35-42

What qualities in Andrew made it possible for him to play such a strategic role in the explosive growth of the early church?

Andrew actively pursued the truth about Jesus (John 1:35-40).

The two disciples standing with John the Baptist were Andrew and John.

When it says that Andrew and John followed Jesus this does not mean that they had become His disciples. When it says that Andrew and John "followed Jesus" it means that they literally followed Him.

If Andrew and John had answered Jesus' question "what do you seek?" candidly, I believe they would have answered, "we seek the truth."

Because John is counting hours from midnight like the Romans rather than from sunrise like the Jews, the tenth hour means 10:00 a.m.

Andrew and John during their visit with Jesus found the truth. They confirmed for themselves that Jesus was the Messiah.

Those who actively pursue the truth will not only be protected from error but they will be energized to do things.

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Andrew actively sought to spread the truth (John 1:40-42).

Andrew, before he did anything else, wanted to share the truth that he had found with his brother Simon.

The name "Cephas" was Aramaic for "rock."

Jesus did not give this name to Peter to highlight who he was but who he would become in Him.

Peter acted like a rock and spearheaded the explosive growth of the early church.

Are you like Andrew, willing to actively pursue and share the truth about Jesus with those God has brought into your life?