



MISSION CREEK

Alliance Church

Invite: John 1:43-49

1. Rethinking Evangelism

The sermon suggests that our reluctance to share our faith may have more to do with our methods than with the gospel itself. What experiences or perceptions have shaped your understanding of evangelism? How might viewing evangelism as an invitation rather than a sales pitch change your willingness to share your faith?

2. The Power of "Come and See"

When Nathanael expressed skepticism about Jesus, Philip didn't argue or attempt to convince him. He simply said, "Come and see." What can we learn from Philip's response about engaging people who are skeptical or uninterested in Christianity? How might this approach influence your conversations with friends or family?

3. Inviting Others Into Our Lives

The sermon emphasizes that hospitality was central to the early church's witness. How open is your life to people who don't share your faith? What practical changes could you make to create more opportunities for friendship, hospitality, and meaningful relationships?

4. Becoming a Place of Blessing

The sermon suggests that our homes and everyday lives can become places where others experience something of God's goodness. If someone who doesn't know Jesus spent time observing your everyday life, what might they discover about God through you? What aspects of your life might you want to become a more compelling witness to God's love?

5. From Hospitality to Spiritual Conversations

Inviting someone into our home or friendship is often easier than inviting them into a conversation about Jesus. What makes the transition from ordinary friendship to meaningful spiritual conversation difficult for you? How can we create opportunities for these conversations without making others feel pressured or treated like a project?

6. Sharing Your Personal Experience of Jesus

The sermon reminds us that sharing the gospel can be as simple as pointing people to something Jesus said, something He did, or something He has done in our own lives. If a friend asked how following Jesus has made a difference in your life, what would you tell them? How could you share that experience naturally and authentically?

7. Taking the Next Step of Invitation

Throughout the Living Witness series, we've been encouraged to pray, serve, and now invite. Who is one person God may be placing on your heart to invite more deeply into your life or into an opportunity to discover Jesus? What specific step could you take in the coming week, and what might hold you back?

Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You that You first invited us into life with You. Forgive us for the times we have allowed fear, busyness, or uncertainty to keep us from sharing Your love with others. Help us become people who welcome others into our lives with genuine friendship and hospitality. Give us eyes to recognize the opportunities You provide, ears to listen well, and courage to speak naturally about what You have done in our lives. May our homes, relationships, and everyday conversations become places where others can encounter Your love and hear Your invitation to "come and see." Amen.