"Rabbi, You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel"

Intro: In proclaiming the deity of ____________, John the Beloved wrote saying that Jesus was in the beginning, and He was with God and was ________, and that all things came into being by Him; and that He, became ____________ and openly dwelt on earth among men. And, that the Beloved and others beheld His glory, ____________ as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

A. This morning we are going to continue to read of our Lord’s first interaction with His first disciples, and hear as the deity of ____________ is proclaimed by yet another and another. Dear family, the testimonies of the eye-witnesses who proclaimed Jesus is be the Christ, the Son of God, are sure having been verified by several eye-witnesses and substantiated by several compelling and ________________ evidences! Therefore, the fact is: Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Believe this and you will ____ ____________!

John 1:43-51

I. Jesus ________________ to go forth into Galilee.

A. The language indicates that ____________ did not go about haphazardly, but it was with great purpose that He left the Jordan River valley where the Baptist had been baptizing, and with a determined goal ____________ ____________ and began to travel to Galilee. He had a date with ____________, whereby He was to call to Himself two disciples while journeying to Cana to work His first public miracle.

II. Jesus “__________ Philip.”

A. Jesus said, John 6:37 & 44, "All that the ____________ ____________ Me shall come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out. ... "No one can come to Me, unless the Father who sent Me ____________ him; ...” And later He said to the disciples, John 15:16, "You did not choose Me, but I chose you, and appointed you, ...” There is an old poem that says, “I found Him only to find, that it was He who found me!” Beloved, truly, if we have found Christ, it is only because He found us! All ____________ belongs ___ ________!

III. Jesus commended Philip to ____________ Him.

A. When Jesus said to Philip, “Follow Me,” it was with ________________! This was a command and the language reveals it for the word “follow” is in the imperative! “Philip, you have no choice here, ‘Follow Me! You, ____________ with Me!’"

B. Being convinced that the ____________ of Nazareth, the son of Joseph is the ____________, Philip desires to share the good news with Nathanael.
1. Nathanael felt skeptical about Philip’s report, but went to _________ for himself.

IV. Jesus ______________ ______________ Nathanael according to his negative remark about Nazareth.

   A. As one who knew Nathanael, Jesus announced that he was a Israelite, of the Household of ___________; and, that in him there is deceitful ____________.

      1. When Nathanael asked Jesus how He knew him, answered in such a way that Nathanael clearly understood that He was in fact, the all-knowing all-seeing _______ ___ _________!

   B. Doubt vanished and faith filled its void! Nathanael having bore a very personal ______________ of Jesus, testified to the fact that ____________ ___ the Son of God, the ___________ of Israel.

V. Jesus promised Nathanael that greater things were coming. The idea being that to further and undeniably ___________ that He is the Son of God, He was promising to work even greater ____________ than that which they had just witnessed.

   A. In this, Jesus is saying that He, the Son of Man, is the ________ (ladder) to the Heavenly Father. They were to perceive in greater measure that heaven was opened to Him, and that He is the way, the truth, and the light, and that no one could come ____ ____ ____________ but through Him.

Conclusion: Now, having read and considered the testimony of many, if the Lord is willing, next week family we will begin to read of the miracles of Christ, and it is my prayer that in them, we too will “_______ the heavens opened, and the angels of _______ ascending and descending on the Son of Man.” And, that we will know with God-granted unshakeable faith that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, the King of Israel, the __________ who takes away our sin, our ______________ to the Heavenly Father!

Can you say to Jesus, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel"? If so, then He has ____________ ________. Therefore, glorify God for He saved you to the praise of the glory of His grace! If you cannot say this, cry out to Him today, and ______________ upon Him. And in seeking Him, you will find Him, and when you find Him you will know that in truth, it was _____ who ______________ __________.