

Yr 2 Parents' Cheat Sheet
Philip and Nathanael

1. What did Philip do right after Jesus asked him to follow him?

He told Nathanael all about Jesus. He told him who He was - the one that the prophets had foretold for years and years.....the Messiah! Philip was very excited about Jesus and he wanted to share this excitement with his friend Nathanael. This is an integral part of being a follower of Jesus. If, as Christians, we really love others, we will want them to know God too, therefore we want to share!

2. Why was Nathanael surprised?

He was surprised because Jesus knew about him and even knew his name before the two ever met. In class today we talked about the personal way that God loves us. He knows us by name, and He knows each of us in a special way because each of us is truly special to Him. This love is not dependent on our actions or thoughts. God simply loves us because we are who we are.

3. What does it mean to follow Jesus?

This is a good discussion starter. Discuss some of the ways during the day that we can follow Jesus - our actions, our thoughts, our prayers, how we show love to others etc. Since we are called every single day to follow Jesus, talk about how we can start each day talking to Him and telling him that we are ready to follow him again for another day. Remind the children that part of following Jesus is to tell others about him. Perhaps this could be a morning prayer that you say as a family. It could be as simple as: *"Lord Jesus, I am ready to follow you! Show me the way!"*