

(1) Andrew obviously was not miffed or offended that his brother Peter was given greater access to Jesus and is mentioned more often in connection with our Lord. How would you account for this? What would have been your response if you had been in Andrew's shoes? In the same way, how would you have responded had you been John the Baptist, as you watched your followers leave your side and follow after Jesus? How did John respond?

(2) Are you encouraged by the example of Philip, a man who wasn't especially bright or insightful, yet was used greatly by God and was called to be an apostle of Jesus? What lessons might we learn from his life? Read aloud 1 Corinthians 1:26-29 and apply its truth to this issue.

(3) Much of my message on this passage concerned the many reasons why we find it difficult to share our faith with others. What are two or three of the main reasons you are reluctant to speak up about the gospel when in the presence of non-Christians?

(4) Walk and talk through the "dirty dozen" reasons I listed as to why most people fail to share their faith on a consistent basis. With which of these do you identify? Are there other reasons not listed among the twelve that you can think of?

(5) After spending considerable time on the previous question, ask yourselves this: "What would my life look like if I had no fear? How often and how successfully and how boldly would I share the gospel with others if I had no fear?" So, why are we afraid? What are the underlying causes of our fear?