

"I saw you...I did not turn My face from you!" ...John 1:43-51

"Nathanael asked Him, "How do you know me?" Jesus replied, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, **I saw you**."" ...John 1:48 (ESV)

- **1.** What stood out to you or was the personal impact of what you have just watched? Was there anything that you learned or were reminded of through the story? ...be descriptive
- 2. In tonight's episode, we were given a glimpse at how the dialog between Nathanael and Jesus might have looked. The important thing to understand is that Nathanael, like all of us, was going through difficult life circumstances and had his own preconceived ideas about things, when the Lord Jesus reached through all of that to let him know that He truly "saw him and had never turned His face from him", even though he may have felt that way during various times in his life. The impact of knowing that God was watching over him all along clearly prepared his heart for a great transformation and commitment to follow the Lord!
- ...READ the story together in <u>John 1:43-51</u>, to see how the conversation went...noticing how aligned the Scripture is to the conversation depicted in tonight's episode.
 - What stands out to you regarding Jesus' interaction with Nathanael?
- **3.** Have you ever been in that place where you wondered if God even see's you or is aware of the hardships and struggles that you are going through? Most of us have at one time or another.

How did God reveal Himself to you during those times, and how did He show you that He saw you and did not turn His face from you...that He was with you all along?

4. What did you hear or learn from tonight's episode and/or discussion that helps you to know that no matter the circumstance, the Lord Jesus loves you, see's you, and will never leave you? What effect does that have on your life today? READ <u>Deuteronomy 31:6</u>, <u>Joshua 1:5</u>, <u>Joshua 1:9</u>, <u>John 14:27</u>, <u>Lamentations 3:21-26</u> for more...

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

How do the *5 Principles for the Christian Man*, help equip you to apply this to your life? Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer (Relationship)
- God's Word (Knowledge and Understanding)
- Worship (Adoration and Praise)
- Fellowship (Encouragement and Accountability)
- Service (Caring for Others, Action to your Belief)