**JOHN 1:37-51 Calling Disciples (Focus on Nathaniel {Bartholomew} 1: 45-51) July 12, 2020**

**INTRO**: Brant Hansen “Blessed Are The Misfits” (Chapter 20 “ Blessed Are The Lonely”)

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**One of the greatest comforts in this world to know that God sees you, and hears you , and knows you. We see that in bold relief as Jesus know the intimate though life of Nathaniel.**

**Ex**. “Almost everyone will make a good first impression, but only a few will make a good lasting impression.” Sonja Parker (News broadcaster)

**TEXT INTRO**: John the Baptist passes the baton. **READ 1: 29-37**

**READ 1: 38-51** A focus on Nathaniel today.

Nathaniel rightly believed on little evidence and will get much, much more than he could ever ask for!

Contrast that to Thomas- **John 20:24-31**

MORE of LESS evidence will not remove all doubt. Our need for evidence has been corrupted to the point that we excuse ourselves from taking any actions of faith ( believing what someone told you and acting on it.) We never examine our doubt as faulty! We think it is as pure as the driven snow. No it is not!

**Ex**. Jet- the jittery dog “ That is like you and me Jimmy; perfectly safe, no need for any doubt, but Jet is all emotion of the moment and no faith.”

**READ 1: 38-51** Comment as you go