

## FRIDAY, JUNE 7 | Greater Things

*49Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel."  
50Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that."  
51He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man."*

Jesus had searched Nathanael's heart, and Nathanael was convinced that Jesus was the Messiah. 'Rabbi' was a name of honor and given to their teachers. 'Son of God' is what the other disciples would call Jesus. He meant that Jesus was a divine person and "eternal Son of God, and who is truly and properly God." Finally, 'the King of Israel, meaning the true Messiah – the 'true Israelite' recognizes his 'King'.

Jesus goes on to confirm Nathanael's faith: "...You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree." He wasn't chiding or diminishing what he had said. Later in John 14:12 Jesus says, "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father." Jesus always knew that his disciples would do 'greater works' in ministry to cast out demons, healing people, expanding the Church, and teaching and preaching to make disciples throughout the world. Nathanael was created for much more than he ever knew!

By seeing "...'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man," Jacob saw it when he was sleeping, and Nathanael and others will see it with 'open eyes'. Nathanael will be able to understand the uninterrupted exchange between God and Jesus and be able to experience it throughout Jesus' ministry.

I leave you with this: "You will see greater things..." We all were made for more than we could possibly imagine. Every time we open up God's Word, listening and learning, we are shown more of God's character. We are shown more of his plan for our lives. We are challenged and disciplined. We will see greater things because we are becoming more and more like Christ as we yield more and more of ourselves to his will.

**Challenge:** Be bold as a 'true Child of God! Nathanael hadn't found his potential in knowing Jesus...yet. He was becoming to know Jesus. Don't underestimate your relationship with Jesus! Jesus told us we would see much more, too. What could you do by having more faith in God? You were made for more! ***Be bold as a true Child of God!***

**MEMORY VERSE Hebrews 11:4** – *"By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible."*