



The Hearts God Used

**When you first
heard about Jesus
how did you
respond?**





Pragmatic Heart



Philip, Thomas and Nathaniel (Bartholomew)

The People

**Philip was friend of Peter, Andrew,
James and John (John 1:44)**

Nathaniel was a friend of Philip

He is from Cana in Galilee (John 21:2)

**In Thomas we don't get any
background**

Carpenter? – Coworker of Jesus?

We know he was a twin





Pragmatic Conversion

Philip is with Andrew as a followers of John

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!” When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus.

John 1:35-37



Philip?

The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, “Follow me.”

John 1:43

What did Philip do?



He found Nathanael

Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.”

John 1:44-45



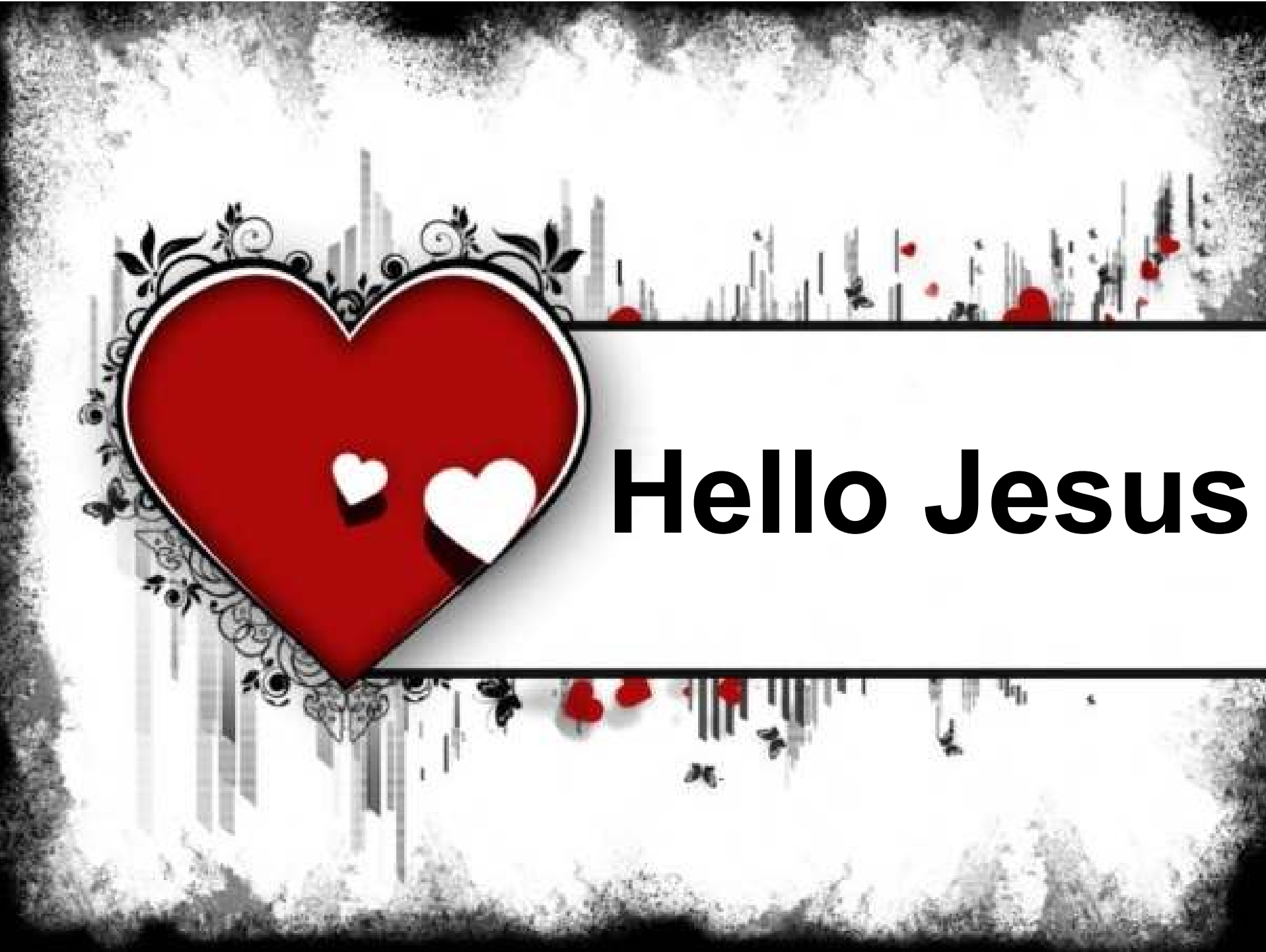
Why?

“Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” Nathanael asked. “Come and see,” said Philip.

John 1:46

Come See for Yourself





Hello Jesus

Hello Jesus

Jesus starts the conversation

He compliments him

**Tells him something about himself
he should not know**

Nathanael expresses a belief

**Jesus does not invite him to follow
but instead invites him to see**





Pragmatic Faith

Feeding the 5000

John 6:5-9

**Andrew looked for a
miracle**

**Philip looked for a
solution**



I am the way -- John 14:6-14

Thomas We don't know the way

Jesus I am the way

Philip....show me

Jesus....I have

Important to note, Jesus scold

**Philip nor Thomas
for not having faith**



Touching Jesus -- John 20:24-29

**Thomas was not at the first
appearance**

**He swore disbelief until
he could touch**

**Jesus comes again, he does not
scold Thomas**

**Instead he offers him
his hands and side**





**Encourages not
Discourages**

**Jesus knew a
pragmatic heart
can easily become
a committed heart**





The Ministries

**God can use a
pragmatic heart
if it is willing
to follow Him**

