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Lesson 4 - Andrew

I. Andrew- "The EXALTER"

A. He was part of the "main" 4 disciples that was closest to Jesus
-Peter, Andrew, James, & John

1. He was a FOLLOWER of John the Baptist
2. Was the first disciple to be CALLED by Jesus (he was chosen)
3. He had a heart for PEOPLE and MINISTRY

*he brought the boy with the bread and fish to Jesus to feed the 5,000

B. He was the younger brother of PETER, the future leader of the disciples

*Andrew probably always lived in the shadows of his older, talented brother

*Scripture usually just refers to Andrew as "Peter's Brother"

C. He put his brother ABOVE himself, knowing Peter would get "all the glory"

"He must have known full well that as soon as Peter entered the company of disciples, he would take charge and Andrew would be relegated to a secondary status."

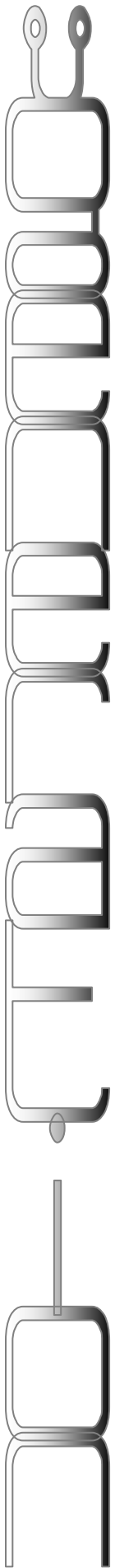
1. Andrew found JOY in pointing Peter to Christ
2. Andrew found JOY in letting Peter be the "top disciple" (**John 1:40-42**)

II. Am I An Exalter?

- A. Don't seek your own GLORY (**Proverbs 16:18**)
- B. Do things because you love CHRIST (**Ephesians 6:6**)
- C. Encourage other people to be GREATER than yourself (**Matthew 20:26-28; 23:11-12**)
- D. Let other people receive the CREDIT (**Romans 12:10**)

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Small group discussion

Discuss Philippians 2:1-18. Key points/verses are listed below.

- 2: Be united
- 3-4: Be humble; put others first
- 5-8: Christ gave example of humility
- 14-15: Don't argue or complain
- 16: Make living for Christ the top priority
- 17-18: Then, we can be united with joy

Ask Yourself:

1. Do I try to seek glory or recognition over others or even over Christ?
Do I give others and Christ the glory?
2. Is there someone I know that I need to lift up, even above myself?
3. What do I need to specifically work on to be humble, like Christ?

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