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A little girl bought a Bible to give it as a birthday present to her father. She wondered what she should write on the flyleaf. "From Maggie," no, too cold. "From your little daughter," no, he had just said she was his big girl. "From one who loves you," Hardly, there were others in the family who loved him too. Finally, she went into her father's library and found that one of the books had this on the flyleaf: "From the author." Later, when her father opened the gift and saw "From the Author" he realized he didn't really know the Author of this book, this Bible. When he began to study the Bible his daughter had given him, he became not only a Christian, but a preacher of the gospel as well. In telling the story of his conversion he often held up the little Bible, explaining the words on the flyleaf, "From the author".

John 1:45-46 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."

Philip had met Jesus and recognized Him as someone special; as the Messiah. He was so excited that he had to tell those close to him, so off he went to get Nathanael. He wanted Nathanael to meet this man of God. However, Nathanael was skeptical and sarcastic. But Philip didn't quite. He believed in Jesus and cared for Nathanael. He persisted and brought Nathanael to Jesus, where his life was changed forever.

If we are convinced of our faith in Christ, as was Philip, then our hearts should also burn with excitement to bring others to meet Him just as Philip did; just as the little girl did with her daddy. We, like Philip need to share the invitation, "Come and see."