## BEING AN INFLUENCER FOR GOD.

(Andrew-Profile of Influence)
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## Luke 6:13-14-Passion

12After this, Jesus went up into the high hills to spend the whole night in prayer to God. 13 At daybreak he called together all of his followers and selected twelve from among them, and he appointed them to be his apostles.

14–16 Here are their names: Simon, whom he named Peter; Andrew, Peter's brother; James; John; Philip; Bartholomew; Matthew; Thomas; James the son of Alpheus; Simon, known as a fiery political zealot; Judah the son of James; and Judas the locksmith, who later betrayed Jesus.

**Influence** - ...the capacity to have an effect on the character, development, or behavior of someone or something, or the effect itself...

## A. We Know Andrew Was a <u>Seeker of the things of the Lord</u>.

Andrew - means - "manly", "brave"

## John 1:35-39-Passion

35–36 The very next day John was there again with *two of his disciples* as Jesus was walking right past them. John, gazing upon him, pointed to Jesus and said, "Look! There's God's Lamb!"

37 And as soon as John's two disciples heard this, <u>they immediately left John and</u> began to follow a short distance behind Jesus.

38 Then Jesus turned around and saw they were following him and asked, <u>"What do you want?"</u> They responded, "Rabbi (which means, Master Teacher), where are you staying?"

39 Jesus answered, "Come and discover for yourselves." So they went with him and saw where he was staying, and since it was late in the afternoon, *they spent* the rest of the day with Jesus.

## B. We Know Andrew Was a Finder, He brought others to Jesus.

## John 1:40-42-Passion

40–41 One of the two disciples who heard John's words and began to follow Jesus was a man named Andrew. He went and found his brother, Simon, and told him, "We have found the Anointed One!"

42Then Andrew brought Simon to meet him. When Jesus gazed upon Andrew's brother, he prophesied to him, "You are Simon and your father's name is John. But from now on you will be called Cephas" (which means, Peter the Rock).

## We see Andrew finding people for Jesus on three different occasions:

## 1. Peter being the first.

# 2. Andrew's concern for the needs of others. John 6:5-9-NLT

- **5** Jesus soon saw a huge crowd of people coming to look for Him. Turning to Philip, He asked, "Where can we buy bread to feed all these people?"
- 6 He was testing Philip, for He already knew what He was going to do.
- 7 Philip replied, "Even if we worked for months, we wouldn't have enough money to feed them!"
- 8 Then Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up.
- 9 "There's a young boy here with five barley loaves and two fish. But what good is that with this huge crowd?"
- 3. Andrew found someone for Jesus...when the Greeks who desired to see Jesus approached Philip and him.

#### John 12:20-22-Passion

20 Now there were a number of foreigners from among the nations who were worshippers at the feast.

- 21 They went to Philip (who came from the village of Bethsaida in Galilee) and they asked him, "Would you take us to see Jesus? We want to see him."
- 22 **So Philip went to find Andrew**, and then they both went to inform Jesus.
- C. We Know Andrew Was a Keeper, he was needed in the Kingdom.

#### Mark 13:3-4-NLT

- 3 Later, Jesus sat on the Mount of Olives across the valley from the Temple. Peter, James, John, and *Andrew came to Him privately and asked Him,*
- 4 "Tell us, when will all this happen? What sign will show us that these things are about to be fulfilled?"