

# Come and See



# Word of the Week

#### A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John (John 1: 35-42)

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. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" "Come," he replied, "and you will see."

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus.



"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."

(St. Catherine of Siena)

### What would I do if Jesus said to me. 'Come and see'?

- What do you think Jesus wanted Andrew and the other disciple to "come and see"?
- What are some things God might be inviting you to "come and see" in your life?
- What are your gifts, your passions? How might God want to use them?
- Is there a next step in your faith or life you feel drawn to?

#### Prayer for the Week

Lord Jesus, You invited your first disciples with a simple invitation: 'Come and see.' We hear those words today and open our hearts to you. Help us see what you want us to see, in ourselves, in others, and in our future. Show us who we are and what we're called to be. Give us the courage to say yes.

Amen.

#### Come and See: An invitation

This week's Word of the Week we see two disciples curious about Jesus and start to follow Him. Jesus invited them to come and see. This simple invitation leads them to spend the day with Him and it marks the beginning of their journey with Him.

Vocation is a word that means a calling or a special purpose that each person has in life. Just like the first disciples were called to follow Jesus, each of us has a unique vocation or purpose.

This week we make time to pray about our vocation and make time to come and see, to get to know Jesus better and discover more about the plans God has in store for us.



#### Vocation

The word "vocation" can mean different things to different people. The prophet Jeremiah used words like "plans" and "call" to describe how he understood God at work in his life. Today we might hear words like "purpose" or "meaning" to describe the search for deeper understanding about our lives.



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#### **SOMETHINEG TO LISTEN TO**

Known By You by Gateway Worship: <u>Listen Here</u>

Whatever Your Plan Is - Josie Buchanan: <u>Listen Here</u>

Lord, I Give You My Heart - Shane & Shane: <u>Listen Here</u>



"God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another." (St. John Henry Newman)

- Name one gift you believe God has given you.
- Name one thing you care deeply about.
- · Name one way you feel called to use that gift for others.

Leader: God, you have given each of us a mission.

All: Help us to walk in your path.

Leader: You have created us for a purpose no one else can fill.

All: Help us to say yes to our calling.

Leader: Let us go and live with courage,

All: To set the world alight with your love. Amen.

