

## READINGS AND REFLECTION FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### A READING FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF SAMUEL 3:3-10, 19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, Samuel! Samuel! He answered, 'Here I am.'  
Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.'  
Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down.

Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.'  
He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.'  
Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him.

Once again the Lord called, the third time.  
He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.'  
Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak Lord, your servant is listening."  
So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel.'  
Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'  
Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

**THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM 39:2, 4, 7-10

I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.

He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.

**HERE I AM LORD. I COME TO DO YOUR WILL.**

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.

You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I.

**HERE I AM LORD. I COME TO DO YOUR WILL.**

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will.

My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart.

**HERE I AM LORD. I COME TO DO YOUR WILL.**

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.

My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord.

**HERE I AM LORD. I COME TO DO YOUR WILL.**

**A READING FROM THE 1st LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS 6:13-15, 17-20**

Your bodies are members of the body of Christ.

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.

God who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ.

Anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body.

Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God.

You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for.

That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

**THE WORD OF THE LORD**

We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

**A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 1:35-42**

They saw where Jesus lived and they stayed with him.

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.'

Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus.

Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?'

They answered, 'Rabbi,'- which means Teacher – 'Where do you live?' 'Come and see,' he replied.

So they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day.

It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus

after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter.

Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him,

'We have found the Messiah, - which means the Christ - and he took Simon to Jesus.

Jesus looked hard at him and said,

'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas - meaning Rock.

**THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.**

**REFLECTION**

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The journey of discipleship is founded upon a willing heart attentive to the voice of the Spirit amid the clamour of life, the darkness of uncertainty, our everyday experiences, our listening to others and to our gut feelings, and by our living it. The Spirit of Jesus widens the circle of discipleship; Andrew brought his brother to Jesus.