

Where's Your Chair?

St Andrew



His foundation is on the holy mountains.

The Lord loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

Glorious things are spoken of you, Zion, city of our God.

Psalm 87:1-2

Praising:

Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult of our life's wild restless sea day by day his voice is sounding, saying, 'Christian, follow me': as of old apostles heard it by the Galilean lake, turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for his dear sake.

Reading:

John 1:35-42
Andrew first found his brother

It's how Andrew responds to his encounter with Jesus that earns him his honoured place in Christian history. In a nutshell, he doesn't keep the good news to himself. But it's not just that Andrew wants to tell people about Jesus, he wants to bring people to Jesus. For Andrew that was a

simple matter of finding his brother Simon and saying, 'you're coming with me!' For us something a little more subtle is probably required, yet it is certainly still possible to bring people to Jesus. As believers, the way we draw close to Jesus ourselves is by inviting the Lord to speak to us through the scriptures and through prayer. We need to be ready to talk about that experience to people in a way that sounds normal and natural and something they should try too.

Listening:

Praying:

We bring to God those who have yet to discover Christ

- grant us the innocence of Andrew who saw the truth and accepted it
- grant us the urgency of Andrew who shared Christ without hesitation or delay
- grant us the love of Andrew who cared enough to find and fetch his brother

Father: I long to share Christ with those I love. I pray for fearlessness, directness and clarity to do so, tempered always with gentleness, sensitivity and patience. Amen

Doing:

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