

\* Prayers Anchored in the  
Gospel of John

Saturday, Day 27

\*Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily  
the call of our  
Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all  
people the Good News  
of his salvation, that we and the whole  
world may perceive  
the glory of his marvelous works; who lives  
and reigns with  
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever  
and ever. *Amen. Online Book of Common Prayer, 1979*

\***The Collect**  
Collecting your thoughts so you can focus  
on God.

## John 1:38-52 NIV

<sup>38</sup> Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?”

They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”

<sup>39</sup> “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.

<sup>40</sup> Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup> The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). <sup>42</sup> And he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter).

<sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, “Follow me.”

<sup>44</sup> Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. <sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.”

 **Scripture**

## John 1:29-37 NIV

<sup>46</sup> “Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” Nathanael asked.

“Come and see,” said Philip.

<sup>47</sup> When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, “Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit.”

<sup>48</sup> “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked.

Jesus answered, “I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you.”

<sup>49</sup> Then Nathanael declared, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel.”

<sup>50</sup> Jesus said, “You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that.” <sup>51</sup> He then added, “Very truly I tell you, you will see ‘heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on’ the Son of Man.”

 **Scripture**

\* Each of us tend to connect with God in different ways. Some of the pathways that are common are:

- \* Nature
- \* Solitude
- \* Service to others
- \* Study
- \* Simplicity
- \* Liturgy or Symbolic Action
- \* Sharing deeply with others about God
- \* Art or Music
- \* Confronting Evil



\* **Meditation**

\*Take some time today to connect with God in a different way than usual. It is quite likely that you may have more than one pathway that connects you deeply with God. It may be that you will broaden your relationship with God by trying something different from the usual things that you normally do. Enjoy the freedom of walking with Jesus today.

\***Meditation**

**Bless every true disciple of Jesus with your interaction and instruction. It is such a privilege to be a true disciple of Jesus. Enjoy being identified with Jesus this week.**

 **Blessing**