



# BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

January 17, 2021

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 65

## **Gospel Jn 1:35-42**

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" — which translated means Teacher —, "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah" — which is translated Christ —. Then he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas" — which is translated Peter.

**Spiritual Reflection:** We see Jesus change the tables on his potential disciples today. They went to explore the idea of choosing Jesus to be their rabbi and He instead calls them to be His disciples. Theresa of Avila wrote: "He does not ask our worthiness; He asks our openness. I desire my life to be a source of hope for others, a sign that God wills to work out His unique designs in each one of us."

## **Spiritual Questions.**

1. What are you looking for in a God to worship?
2. Does Jesus meet these qualities?
3. How does the knowledge that Jesus chose you before you chose Him affect your relationship with Him?
4. What role do you believe God is calling you to play in the Church?
5. What role do you think God will call you to play in the future?