



Section: Leadership

Module: Exploring Your Call

A Self Reflection Exercise in the style of Lectio Divina

The Summons

Will You Come and Follow Me

Text: John H. Bell and Graham Maule

Music: Scottish melody; arr. John L. Bell

Hymn # 726 in *Glory to God* hymnal

1. Concentrate on just listening and soaking in the background pictures.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LKkpNbuVDfw>

2. Play it a second time and listen intentionally for what phrase or words stand out to you.

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3. Play it a third time listening and watching and note what catches your attention – words, phrases, verses, pictures?

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4. The first four verses are understood to be in the voice of Christ calling you to “Come and Follow”. The fifth verse is understood to reflect your response to being called. Look at the first four printed verses for the hymn and circle what catches your attention in Christ’s invitation.

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown? Will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In Your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

5. How do those pieces which stood out to you represent or connect with your sense of call?
6. As you reflect on the phrases you lifted in each verse, how is your understanding of being called shaped?

