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LESSONS FOR LAMBS

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE (AUGUST 24)

The color for St. Bartholomew, Apostle, is red.



What to listen for during the service?

In the Gospel reading today we hear Bartholomew (Nathanael) say "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" He praises Jesus when he realizes Jesus is the Son of God. When do we sing praise to God during the service? What things do we say about God? What do we thank Him for?

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Gospel Reading: John 1:43-51

(The Gospel Reading is from the part of the Bible that is about Jesus and his ministry.)

43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." 49 Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

Questions to talk about with your parents:

- 1) Where did Jesus go?
- 2) What does Jesus say to Philip?
- 3) What did Philip say to Nathanael (Bartholomew)? How did Nathanael respond?
- 4) Since Nathanael had never seen Jesus, how did Jesus know he was sitting under a fig tree? Why did this convince Nathanael that Jesus was the Son of God?
- 5) What greater things have we seen Jesus do for us? What was the main thing Jesus did for us to give us salvation?

People of the Bible: Bartholomew

Today we celebrate the feast of St. Bartholomew, but who was Bartholomew? Bartholomew was a disciple of Jesus. Philip, another disciple of Jesus, brought Bartholomew (also called Nathanael) to Jesus as we read in the Gospel reading for today. Jesus told Nathanael about things that happened

to Nathanael that Jesus wasn't there to see. Nathanael knew that Jesus was omniscient (all-knowing) and that He was the Son of God. Bartholomew is listed as one of the disciples in Matthew, Mark & Luke, and is listed as Nathanael in the book of John. The Bible doesn't tell us much else about Bartholomew. We know Bartholomew was a faithful disciple who looked to Christ as the Messiah that was promised in the Old Testament.

HYMN – "By All Your Saints in Warfare"

- 1 By all Your saints in warfare,
For all Your saints at rest,
Your holy name, O Jesus,
Forevermore be blest!
For You have won the battle
That they might wear the crown;
And now they shine in glory
Reflected from Your throne.
- 2 All praise for him whose candor
Through all his doubt You saw
When Philip at the fig tree
Disclosed You in the law.
Discern, beneath our surface,
O Lord, what we can be,
That by Your truth made guileless,
Your glory we may see.
- 3 Then let us praise the Father
And worship God the Son
And sing to God the Spirit,
Eternal Three in One,
Till all the ransomed number
Fall down before the throne,
Ascribing pow'r and glory
And praise to God alone.