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Danny Murphy – 2nd Sunday of the Year – 2018

In our first reading this morning, God calls Samuel to be a prophet. In our Gospel, God calls Andrew to be an Apostle. To what is God calling you? To what is God calling me? See if this progression makes sense – we are made in the image and likeness of God, right? God is Good, so we are GOOD! Each of us is a good person, because that's how God created each of us to be! A good person knows that life is more than just about myself. Good people instinctively ask themselves questions, such as these: Is my life making a difference? Does my life have meaning? Is someone else's life happier, holier because of me? Here is a true and inspiring story. A friend of mine, upon graduating college with highest honors, postpones entering graduate school so she could become a Jesuit volunteer. She spent a

whole year in Haiti helping to develop a nutritional food program. She realized that her life wasn't just about herself. She realized that her life was more than just going to the right schools, getting the right grades, having the right resume, making the right contacts, having the right job, making the right salary. She knew her life wasn't just about herself. How proud am I of her. Now what about us? Do I realize that my life isn't just about myself? How can I best spend the remainder of my life – however long or short that might be. In our Gospel this morning, Jesus asks this probing question: "What are you looking for?" What are you looking for in your life? Beyond your job, beyond your career, beyond what you do, beyond your appearance, beyond your daily routine – what are you looking for in your life? Could we spend a moment please so each of us could quietly answer Jesus as he asks: "What are you looking for in your life?" (PAUSE)