

Apostle begin

In the Gospel narrative

St John the charismatic preacher has prepared the people for change

Now he has been arrested

So now is the time when Jesus began his preaching.

He began

But who had ever heard of him

But John had been arrested

This was dangerous

But who would ever listen

Never the less he began

For a number of years I have been honoured with a walk through the north of this country.

The Dales way

The Dales high way

Walking over a number of days

Walking to Solitaire, and through Skipton, on to Sedburgh and finishing in Appleby.

This walk begins from the front door of St Josephs

But it's such a long way

But you can get lost

But you are on your own

But what about the weather

Never the less it begins from the front door of St Josephs

One of the personal signs of tiredness I have is losing things

I will lose my keys

The mobile

My diary

There is panic, confusion, anger.

Finding the item begins by looking

But it seems lost forever

But the consequences of the loss horrific
But I have already looked in there
What if I never see it again?
Never the less finding the item begins by looking

Peter and Andrew were fishermen
How could they teach?
Never the less they began
There were times you did not know
So you made a judgement
And you began
Fear held back the trip to the doctor
But the call was made
And the treatment began
There was not enough money to pay a decorator
So what money there was paid for the wallpaper
And the work began
There was no certainty of success
No confidence in self
Never the less with faith you must begin

The longest journey begins with the first step
There is no better way of finding things than to begin looking
There is never any certainty
But as Catholics we are people committed to follow the example of Christ Jesus
Who heard of the arrest of St John
And despite the fear and hostility
began.
So also with you
Begin