

The Call

He called them and they followed

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Christ calls you

Out of where you are at present and on

On to where you may not understand

He calls you to follow

Follow through ministry

Through necessity

Through suffering

And even death

Christ call me through ministry

Christ call me through necessity

Christ call me even through death

Call me

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And I will try to leave this place

It was a failure

It had not worked

Aspirations had not been satisfied

Practical financial implications needed resolution

Outside the Winter turned to Spring

Outside it did not seem to make a difference to the world

Success could have been easily dealt with

But this took real courage

This took real determination

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It was all so unfamiliar

With no guarantees

The risk had been taken

The word was out

And now, no going back

But going forward where would this lead

It was possible to hide behind excuses

It was possible to try and remain, as everything changed

It took the courage to act

To arise, and face this day

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Leaving youth had been an unconscious movement

Leaving the world of work an inevitable struggle

Many had left and gone before

Leaving the grief, the isolation, the hope

Now the body could do no more

No longer forced by determination

But collapsing crumbling

It was possible to be angry, to rage against the inevitable

It took courage to act

To love, and care,

for the victims of this parting

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