

Did Abram Moan?

When I was a child the phrase I oft repeated, (which drove my Mum up the wall) was, "I'm bored, what can I do?" One of my favourite TV programmes was Why Don't You? As in the opening song lyrics, "Why don't you get off the sofa and do something less boring instead...!" as it contained lots of wacky ideas of activities to do in what I considered to be very boring holidays. This poem/prayer looks at the characters in some of the Biblical stories and their reactions to being asked to do something less boring instead and challenges us to join God's adventure of faith.

Did Abram moan when God spoke
and called him to pack up house and move to a different land?

Of course he did!

Did Sarai laugh when God spoke
and told her she would have a child while drawing her pension?

Of course she did!

Did the disciples complain when Jesus called
and told them to leave their nets and follow him on a journey to who knew where?

Of course they did!

Did the women complain when Jesus told them
to spread the message of Good News?

Of course they did!

Do we complain when we are asked
to get off the sofa and do something less boring instead?

Of course we do!

Adventuring God
You call us to an exciting adventure of faith
to get out of our comfort zone
and risk spreading the Good News.

So what are we waiting for?

©Clare McBeath & Tim Presswood, 2007