EPIPHANY

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Jesus Calls Philip and Nathanael

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Bible

Links are provided as a convenience and are not intended as an endorsement or recommendation. Many alternatives are available online!

John 1:43-51

Watch the Story

Lectionary Readings

All the readings set for Second Sunday after the Epiphany.

First reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)
Psalm: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Second reading: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20
Gospel: John 1: 43-51

Blocks

Minecraft Seed: `4631`

Build a lift (elevator) using any method you choose that can lift mobs from the ground up into the clouds and then back down again.

For example, you might use minecarts to deliver mobs to a water chute. Placing Soul Sand at the bottom will transport them up, while a Magma block will bring them back down. Build the water elevator with glass blocks so that you can see the mobs moving up and down.

You could also build a ladder going up into the clouds. You will need to build a fence to ensure it is directly in the path of mobs so they climb up it. Place water around the bottom to break their fall when they fall off!

Bricks

Create a flick book that shows a stick figure climbing and descending a ladder.

In the corner of a notebook, draw a stick figure at the bottom of a ladder. On the next page, draw them one step up, making sure you draw the ladder in exactly the same position on the page. Continue until the figure has been up and down. When you flick through the corner of the notebook, it will look like the figure is moving.

♡ Prayer

When Jesus meets Philip and Nathanael, he makes it clear that he isn't just someone from Nazareth, he is the place where heaven and earth meet, where God himself is present. That is the ladder with the angels going up and down.

We are sometimes blinded to people's true nature by their background or appearance. Nathanael wasn't. He recognised Jesus. Pray that we might also know when God is calling us.

Community Suggestions

Community suggestions coming soon!

View this session online: https://www.blocks-and-bricks.org/sessions/year-b-second-sunday-after-the-epiphany.html