



Andrew, Peter, James and John leave their boats and nets and follow Christ to become fishers of men and the first disciples.—Matthew 4:18-22.

MEMORY VERSE:—"For we cannot but speak of the things which we have seen and heard."—Acts 4:20.

THE INNER CIRCLE

Peter, James, and John Were Close

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By R.H. RAMSEY Of the multitudes who followed Christ, only three—Peter, James and John—made up the innermost circle of closest to Christ. In today's lesson we shall explore a very real glimpse in their lives which demonstrate this closeness.

In Matthew 4:18-22 we learn how Christ, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw Andrew a brother of his partners, James and John, plying their trade as fishermen. He calls to them saying, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately, the four leave their boats and nets to follow Him.

For Andrew and Peter, this was no spur-of-the-moment decision, for they had met the Master more than a year before when John the Baptist gave witness to Jesus as the Son of God (John 1:35-42). One assumes that they had told James and

ORBIT PATH: THE CROSS

The Acts of the Apostles is a continuation of the Gospel according to Luke by the same author. Its vivid narrative is the chief source of our knowledge of early Christianity and the personalities affected by the early church.



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The 300-page report by Dublin-born Leslie Paul, former Marxist turned Christian philosopher, sociologist and author, makes 82 pointed recommendations stated to come before the church assembly in February.

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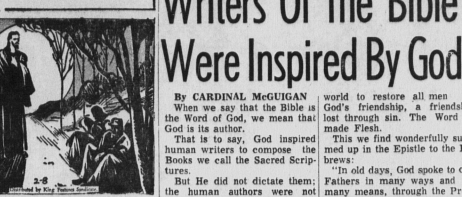
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Peter, James and John fall asleep while Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane.—Mark 14:32-42.

By CARDINAL McGUIGAN

When we say that the Bible is God's Word, we mean that God is its author. That is to say, God inspired human writers to compose the Books we call the Holy Scriptures.

He did not dictate them; the human authors were not mere secretaries who had no mind of their own to utter. They were inspired by the Holy Spirit who is the Truth-Itself and these men as His instruments.

He respected their gifts and skills, their manner of writing and their individuality of style and diction. But he preserved them from error, for they were to write of God's own word—and in that, there can be no lie.

The Transfiguration of Our Lord, as recorded in Matthew 17: 1, 3 (also Mark 9:2-13 and Luke 9:28-36), took place during the third year of Christ's public ministry. In this lesson we will not dwell on the Transfiguration itself, but upon the presence there of the innermost three.

The events which the Bible records are not simply events of the past. They happen, certainly, and all our understanding of the Bible depends on the literal meaning of what we read.

These events happened and are true. But they happen still, for the words of the Bible are still spoken still.

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Reforms Suggested For Anglican Church

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Charlottetown Bible Chapel 233 Cumberland St. at Longworth Ave. 11:00 a.m.—Adult Service and Sunday School 7:30 p.m.—Guest Speaker Stan Streitz

PARK ROYAL UNITED CHURCH 13 Christie Drive, Parkdale Rev. J. H. Tye, B.A., B.D. Minister Mr. Leslie Hiscot, Organist and Director of Chorus

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH Charlottetown, P. E. I. Ministers: Rev. J. G. E. Hall, B.A., Rev. G. W. Wynnes, B.A., B.D. Rev. Clayton Lewis, B.A.

SPRING PARK UNITED CHURCH (Cor. Kirkwood Drive and Dumfries Street) 9:30 a.m.—Church School 11:00 a.m.—Nursery in Sunday School Room

Zion Presbyterian Church Corner Prince and Grafton Streets The Rev. Donald A. Campbell, B.A., Minister Miss Roberta Shaw, Deaconess

The Kirk of St. James The Reverend T. H. B. Somers, M.A., S.T.M., Minister Organist and Director of the Chorus Christopher Gledhill, M.A., B.Mus.

St. Paul's Anglican Church Established 1789 by Royal Foundation The Rev. F. Louis Elias, L.S.T., Rector Organist and Choir Director: George A. Thompson, F.R.C.O., (CHM) A.R.C.M.

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