Matthew 4:12-22 International Bible Lesson Study Guide New American Standard Bible

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study. Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

- 1. What does this verse say?
- 2. What does this verse mean to me?
- 3. Discuss your answers with the class.

(Matthew 4:12) Now when Jesus heard that John had been taken into custody, He withdrew into Galilee;

(Matthew 4:13) and leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali.

(Matthew 4:14) This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet:

(Matthew 4:15) "THE LAND OF ZEBULUN AND THE LAND OF NAPHTALI, BY THE WAY OF THE SEA, BEYOND THE JORDAN, GALILEE OF THE GENTILES—

(Matthew 4:16) "THE PEOPLE WHO WERE SITTING IN DARKNESS SAW A GREAT LIGHT, AND THOSE WHO WERE SITTING IN THE LAND AND SHADOW OF DEATH, UPON THEM A LIGHT DAWNED."

(Matthew 4:17) From that time Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

(Matthew 4:18) Now as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon who was called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen.

(Matthew 4:19) And He *said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."

(Matthew 4:20) Immediately they left their nets and followed Him.

(Matthew 4:21) Going on from there He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and He called them.

(Matthew 4:22) Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him.

Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?2. What does the verse mean to me?