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

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 arrested, he withdrew to Galilee.

(Matthew 4:13) He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali,

(Matthew 4:14) so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

(Matthew 4:15) "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

(Matthew 4:16) the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned."

(Matthew 4:17) From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

(Matthew 4:18) As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is 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 fish for people."

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

(Matthew 4:21) As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, 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?