

Matthew 4:12-22

International Bible Lesson Study Guide

New International 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) When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee.

(Matthew 4:13) Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali—

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

(Matthew 4:15) “Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

(Matthew 4:16) the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.”

(Matthew 4:17) From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

(Matthew 4:18) As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen.

(Matthew 4:19) “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.”

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

(Matthew 4:21) Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them,

(Matthew 4:22) and 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?