



# Our Lady of Peace School

**With Christ in our hearts, together we grow**

**Third Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Matthew 4:12 -23 Follow Me!**

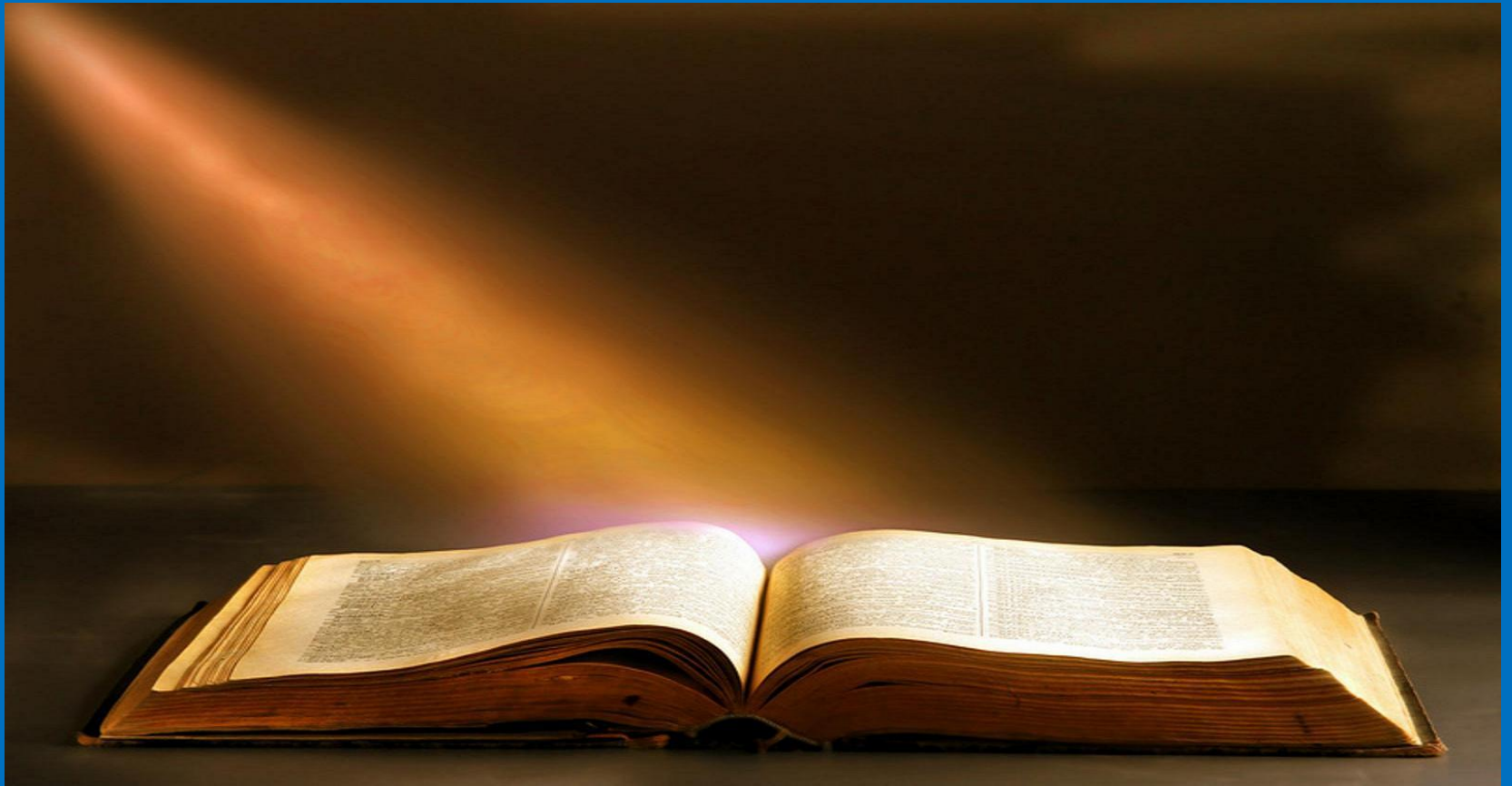
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# Introduction

It is important to remember that Jesus was a very special person, an extraordinary man. Today we hear him ask some ordinary men to leave their boats, nets, homes and families to follow him. The remarkable thing is, that's just what they did!

# Gospel Acclamation



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Alleluia, alleluia,

We have come to hear you Lord,  
hear you Lord.

We have come to hear you Lord,  
we are listening.

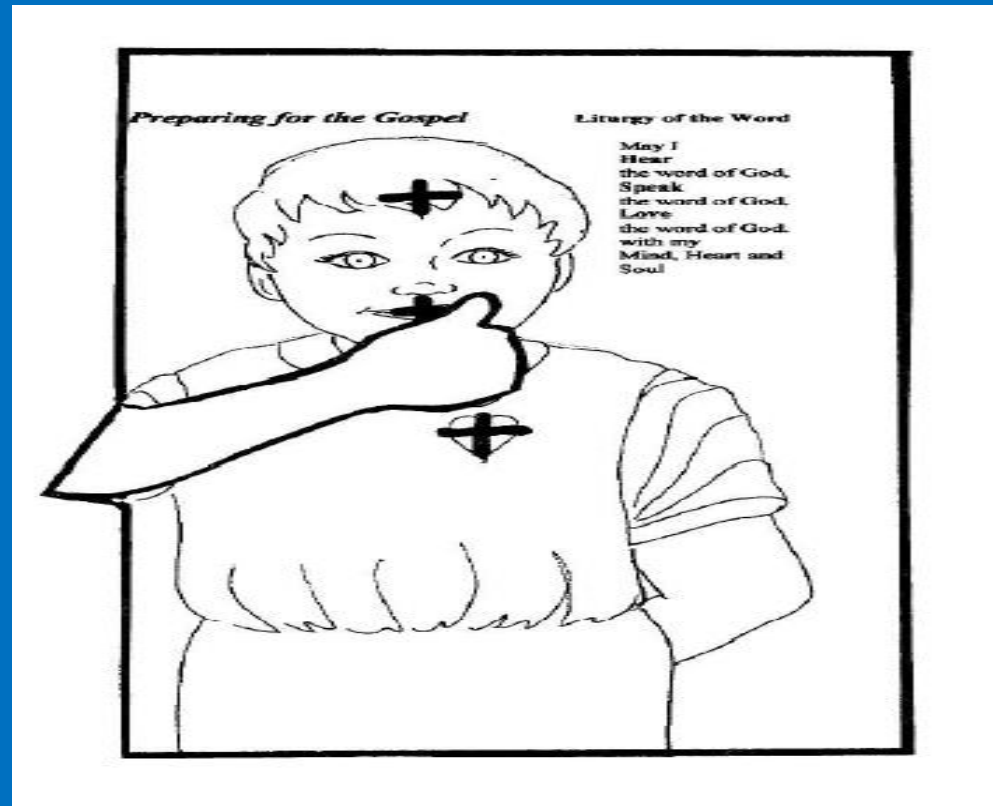
Alleluia, alleluia,

The Lord be with you

**Response: And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according  
to Matthew

**Response: Glory to you, O Lord**





## Gospel Matthew- 4: 12 - 23

After Jesus had been baptised by John, He went to live in Capernaum, a fishing village beside the sea of Galilee. One day he saw two brothers called Simon Peter and Andrew, out fishing together. Jesus spoke to them and they were filled with wonder when He said, “Come and follow me and I will make you fishes of men and women.” The two brothers left their boats and nets at once, and followed Him. A little further on Jesus saw James and John out fishing with their father, Zebedee. Again, Jesus asked them to follow Him. These brothers were the first disciples of Jesus.

# The Gospel of the Lord

## Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**





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# Reflection 1

- What were the names of the brothers in the story?
- What did they do for a living?
- What do you think Zebedee thought when his sons went off with Jesus?

# Reflection 2

- Jesus was obviously a very special person. Something about Him was so different, they were prepared to leave everything and follow Him.
- What did Jesus mean when He said that He would make them “fishers of men and women.”?
- They would help to spread the Good News, the teachings of Jesus. They would gather the people to Jesus like sheep into one flock, or like the fish into one net.

# Reflection 3

Does Jesus want us to follow Him too?

Sometimes people today give up everything to follow Jesus- for example missionaries.

How can we follow Him everyday?

By the way we live and treat others.

- being kind and good

- following His rules of love

- loving God and all His people.

# Reflection 4

- We are all fishers of men and women. In our own way we can all encourage others to want to know and follow Jesus by the lives we live.

# How can we follow Jesus? Through our Mission Statement

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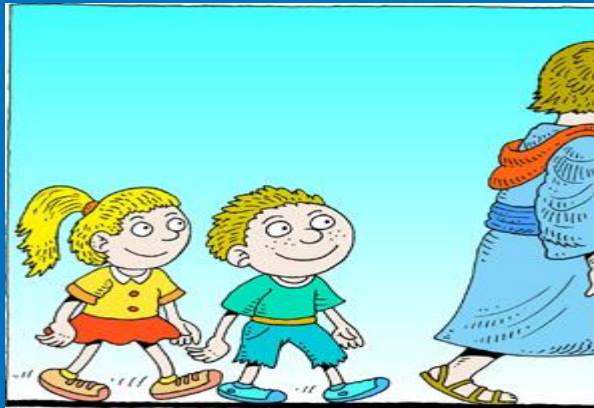




Think about how Jesus would want us to follow him.

Loving God and all of his people  
Doing the right thing  
Following the rules of the school  
Doing as you are asked by your parents or teacher  
Trying you best  
Being kind and respectful  
Being polite to everybody  
Walking away from trouble  
Saying good morning.

We are all 'fishers' of men and women. In our own way we can encourage others to want and follow Jesus, by the lives that we lead.



# Closing Prayer

Dear Jesus,

Help us not to be afraid, help us to remember that God will always love you.

As a father loves his child, he will always love you.

Turn back to him and know God's love lasts forever.

When we see a dove, help us to remember that your spirit is with us in all that we do, helping to guide and protect us always.

Amen

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