

# THIRD SUNDAY after the EPIPHANY

**Directions:** Read the scripture selected from the Revised Common Lectionary, perhaps before bed, in the morning, or during a family meal. Move through the discussion questions in one sitting or answer one a day to help reflect on the scripture throughout the week. End your time in prayer. This could be a simple ritual to incorporate into the week.

## MARK 1:14-20

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. When have you heard someone proclaim good news? What was the news?
2. What do you think Jesus means when he says, “I will make you fish for people?”
3. When have you followed someone else’s lead?
4. Why do you think all these people stopped what they were doing to follow Jesus?
5. What qualities does a good leader have?