

Here is Our King!

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“Matthew 4:12-17: Blue Jean Jesus”

Matthew’s themes

- Here is our king
 - This is what our King teaches
 - How we should follow our King

Matthew’s main point: Jesus is humble, unassuming and interested in you. . .and this is how you should respond to Him.

Blue Jean Jesus

Matthew 4:12-17 (NAS) ¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been taken into custody, He withdrew into Galilee; ¹³ and leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali. ¹⁴ This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: ¹⁵ "THE LAND OF ZEBULUN AND THE LAND OF NAPHTALI, BY THE WAY OF THE SEA, BEYOND THE JORDAN, GALILEE OF THE GENTILES-- 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." ¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

- Jesus is _____
- Jesus is _____

True Discipleship

Matthew 4:18-22 (NAS) 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. ¹⁹ And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. 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. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him.

- Peter, Andrew, James and John are a model of _____

- Becoming a disciple of Jesus means _____

- Changing your identity requires _____

Cross roads of humility and trust

Matthew 4:23-25 (NAS) ²³ Jesus was going throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness among the people. ²⁴ The news about Him spread throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all who were ill, those suffering with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, paralytics; and He healed them. ²⁵ Large crowds followed Him from Galilee and the Decapolis and Jerusalem and Judea and from beyond the Jordan.

- Jesus is worthy of our _____
- Jesus has our _____

January Memory Verse: Matthew 28:19-20 (NLT) ¹⁹ Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.