

## the RABBI



From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near."<sup>18</sup> 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.<sup>19</sup> "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."<sup>20</sup> At once they left their nets and followed him.<sup>21</sup> 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,<sup>22</sup> and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.<sup>23</sup> Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.<sup>24</sup> News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed, and he healed them.<sup>25</sup> Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him.

Matthew 4:17-25

## JESUS was a R \_\_\_\_\_; More than a teacher

Then he said to them all: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."<sup>24</sup> For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will save it.

Luke 9:23-24

## The JESUS We Need to See

JESUS told people to f \_\_\_\_\_

JESUS showed people an e \_\_\_\_\_ way of living

JESUS will j \_\_\_\_\_

JESUS called God f \_\_\_\_\_

JESUS came to e \_\_\_\_\_ the kingdom of God

## Three Views of Redemption

1 A righteous p \_\_\_\_\_ to God

2 A right p \_\_\_\_\_ before God

3 A right p \_\_\_\_\_ who n \_\_\_\_\_ does the right t \_\_\_\_\_

## The Christian Faith IS NOT

... agreement with theological truth

... a set of rules to gain righteousness

... a series of religious rituals to grow

## The Christian Faith IS

... a relationship with a person we follow who shows us a way of living that changes us from the inside out to be good people from whom good things naturally flow.

We learn how to be human from Jesus' words and life.

## Next Steps