

Lectionary Bible Study

For Sunday, February 9, 2025 (Epiphany 5)

Isaiah 6:1-13

Discussion Starters

1. Why does God choose to call Isaiah at this time? Is there a connection between the timing of the call and the death of the king?
2. Describe what Isaiah saw in your own words. What are seraphs?
3. Why does Isaiah's attitude change from cries of "Woe is me" to "Send me"?
4. What do you learn about God from this vision?
5. Do you think God intentionally closes the eyes and ears of people so they will not respond positively to the good news?

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Discussion Starters

1. Of what truth did Paul want to remind his readers? What does that mean?
2. How does one "hold firmly to the word?"
3. What does it mean to "believe in vain?"
4. Why does Paul go into such detail about who Jesus saw after His resurrection?
5. What does the phrase "Christ died for our sins" mean to you personally?
6. How does the Gospel affect your life on a daily basis?

Luke 5:1-11

Discussion Starters

1. What impact does this miracle have on Peter? Why is there a more profound effect as a result of this miracle than the healing of his mother-in-law (Luke 4:38ff)?
2. Why was Peter willing to do what Jesus asked (even though he knew it was futile)?
3. What is Peter beginning to learn about Jesus?
4. Why were these men willing to leave everything in order to follow Jesus? Do you think Jesus has the same expectation today?
5. How do you "catch" men?

WRAP UP

What key insight did you gain from this Bible study? How might it make a difference in how you live today?