Behold YOUR King: Gospel FOLLOWERS Text: Matthew 4:12-25

Kingdom Separated: *Matthew 4:16a*

1) God made a good kingdom and our sin separated it: *Genesis* 1:31, 3:22-24

2) We once followed Satan's kingdom:

Ephesians 2:1b-3

Kingdom Inaugurated: *Matthew 4:17b*

1) Jesus calls in the darkness: Matthew 4:15-16

a) Jesus is the light of the world: John 8:12;

Matthew 4:17

b) Jesus called us into the light: 1 Peter 2:9

c) We are the light of the world: Matthew 5:14-16

d) Light spreads: Matthew 4:19, 25

2) Motivations to fish:

a) It is commanded, without complaint:

Matthew 28:18-20a; Philippians 2:12-16

b) It brings us joy: Psalm 40:8, Isaiah 9:3

c) We love our neighbor:1 Corinthians 16:14; Matthew 22:37-40, 13:47-50 Kingdom Consummated: Matthew 4:23-25

1) We long for Kingdom Consummation: *Matthew 4:23, 25*

2) Kingdom Inauguration is a small taste of Kingdom Consummation: Revelation 21:4

3) The end will come, once all the fish are caught: *Matthew 24:14*

Gospel in Life Group Questions

- 1) **BELIEVE**: WHAT TRUTHS did God REVEAL to me through His Word today about HIM and/or MYSELF?
- 2) **ASSESS**: HOW do these truths ENCOURAGE and/or CHALLENGE *(convict)* ME?
- 3) **PROCESS:** WHY is this message GOOD NEWS (GOSPEL) to ME today? (CONNECT the GOSPEL story to MY present story)
- 4) **CHANGE**: WHERE will I APPLY (BELIEVE, REPENT, DO) this message in MY own life this week?
- 5) **PROCLAIM:** WHO does God want ME to share these truths with this week?
- ❖ PREPARE for NEXT WEEK: Read Ephesians 3:14-21