

# Lectio Divina

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- > **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
  - > **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
  - > **Pray** - Thanksgiving - Repentance - Petition
  - > **Action** - Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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January 22nd 2017 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A - Matthew 4:12 - 23

In this week's gospel we see the arrest of John the Baptist and Jesus starting his ministry in Galilee at the extreme end of the Holy Land. This was a symbol of Jesus bringing God 'to the ends of the earth.' Jesus began his teaching with the message "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." He is calling people to have a change of heart, to a new way of seeing and doing things. Jesus went and invited the two brothers Simon and Andrew, two fishermen to join him. Then he saw James and John who were also brothers and fishermen to join him. The four followed him at once. Jesus then went about his work of proclaiming the Good News to all.

What way would we respond if Jesus invited us to leave all and follow him to bring His good news to people?

Prayer:

Thank you Lord for the turning points in our lives when we realised the path we were on was not leading anywhere and we through reaching out to others saw a new light which gave us a new way and grace filled moments.

Forgive us the times we did not listen to the invitation of Jesus to bring his good news to all because we were too busy in our lives.

Lord help those who are feeling lost. Inspire some Jesus person to go and sit with them bringing them out of their darkness to see a great light.

