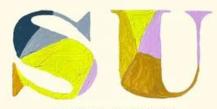
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SUNDAY MATTERS



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52 DEVOTIONALS TO PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR CHURCH

Articles for Outreach & Missions

Every Sunday Matters: How to Make Their First Visit Count

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# 1. Come to the Lord of Sabbath 2. Preach, Real, and Teach 3. The Lord for the Weary Back to he Lord of Sabbath



We believe the Lord's Day is divinely ordained ("Set apart)
1) for private and public worship,
2) for rest from unnecessary work, and should be devoted to
3) spiritual improvement,
4) Christian fellowship and
5) service.

*It is commemorative of our Lord's resurrection and is 6) an emblem of our eternal rest.* 

It is essential to the permanence and growth of the Christian Church, and important to 7) the welfare of the civil community.

> *"Article XIV – The Lord's Day"* From <u>Confession of Faith of the EUB</u> (1963)"

> > "Back to the Lord of Sabbath" Part 1. Come to the Lord of Sabbath.

# Mathew 4: 13-25 Top Priorities in His Public Life

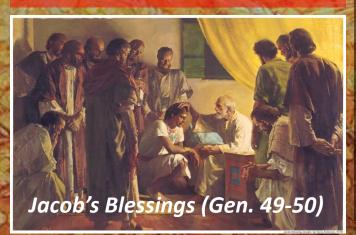


"The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Matthew 4:15-17

# **Matthew 4:13-25** Targeted Places: Where Are the Most Needed?

"Zebulun" will live by the seashore and become <u>a haven for ships</u>; his border will extend toward Sidon. Genesis 49:13

"Naphtali is a doe set free that bears beautiful fawns." Genesis 49:21





When Rachel saw that she was not bearing Jacob any children, she became jealous of her sister. So she said to Jacob, "Give me children, or I'll die!"<sup>2</sup> Jacob became angry with her and said, "Am I in the place of God, who has kept you from having children?" <sup>3</sup> Then she said, "Here is Bilhah, my maidservant. Sleep with her so that she can bear children for me and that through her I too can build a family." <sup>4</sup> So she gave him her servant Bilhah as a wife. Jacob slept with her, <sup>5</sup> and she became pregnant and bore him a son. <sup>6</sup> Then Rachel said, "God has vindicated me; he has listened to my plea and given me a son." Because of this she named him Dan. <sup>7</sup> Rachel's servant Bilhah conceived again and bore Jacob a second son. <sup>8</sup> Then Rachel said, "I have had a great struggle with my sister, and I have won." So she named him Naphtali. <sup>9</sup> When Leah saw that she had stopped having children, she took her maidservant Zilpah and gave her to Jacob as a wife.

# **Matthen 4:13-25** Come Back, and You Will Be Well in His Kingdom!

<sup>1</sup> When all these blessings and curses I have set before you come upon you and you take them to heart wherever the LORD your God disperses you among the nations, <sup>2</sup> and when you and your children return to the LORD your God and obey him with all your heart and with all your soul according to everything I command you today, <sup>3</sup> then the LORD your God will restore your fortunes and have compassion on you and gather you again from all the nations where he scattered you.

(Deuteronomy 30:1-3)

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**באוֹם - Shûb** Turn Back, Return

# **Matchen 4:13-25** What Are The Primary Tasks of the Church NOW?

**Ecclesial Heritage** 

John and Charles Wesley and the Evangelical Revival in England

Beginnings in America, 1760-1816

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Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Micah, & Daniel

SIGHT & SOUND





"Creation, Fall of Man, the Promise of Salvation through the Prophets, Genealogy of Christ" completed in 1508-1512; w. Pope Julius II Permit for a Different Plan

> The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters. - Genesis 1:2 NLT -

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THE PEOPLE WALKING IN DARKNESS HAVE SEEN A GREAT LIGHT





Genesis 1:3

"Back to the Lord of Sabbath" Part 2. Preach, Heal, and Teach!

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 When the time had come, Jesus began to proclaim launching His Kingdom.
 Four busy people at work began to follow Jesus' public ministry.

As Jesus was walking **beside the** Sea of Galilee,

he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were <u>casting a net</u> <u>into the lake</u>, for they were fishermen.

Matthew 4:18

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, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

Matthew 4:21-22

# "Back to the Lord of Sabbath"

Part 2. Preach, Heal, and Teach!

BUSY PEOPLE

**PRODUCTIVE PEOPLE** 

### PRODUCTIVE PEOPLE

Productive people have a mission for their lives. Productive people have few priorities. Productive people say yes slowly. Productive people focus on clarity before action. Productive people close doors. Productive people let their results do the talking. Productive people make time for what is important. Productive people focus. Productive people take their time.

Productive people want others to be effective. Productive people are making those changes.



### **BUSY PEOPLE**

Busy people want to look like they have a mission. Busy people have many priorities. Busy people say yes quickly. Busy people focus on action. Busy people keep all doors open. Busy people talk about how busy they are. Busy people talk about how little time they have. Busy people multitask. Busy people respond quickly to emails.

Busy people want other people to be busy. Busy people talk about how they will change.

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Jesus went through Galilee, <u>teaching</u> in their synagogues <u>preaching</u> the good news of the kingdom, and <u>healing</u> every disease and sickness among the people.





# A St. Matthew Church

### est. circa AD 85

News about him spread all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed, and he healed them. Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and the region across the Jordan followed him.

2. Four <u>busy</u> people at work began to follow Jesus' public ministry.

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"Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom..."

Matthew 4:23

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### His teachings continues ...

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20



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