

Personal Study and Discussion Guide

“Lake Life” **“Jesus Starts His Ministry”**

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Read: [Matthew 4:12-17](#)

1. Jesus’ ministry was hard (Matthew 4:12)

Read: [Matthew 4:1-2](#), [Luke 4:13](#), [Matthew 4:12](#), [Isaiah 53:3](#), [Philippians 2:6-8](#), [Matthew 27:46](#), [Matthew 16:26](#)

2. Jesus’ ministry was focused on others (Matthew 4:13-14)

Read: [Matthew 4:13](#), [Luke 4:14](#), [Romans 12:3-10](#)

3. Jesus’ ministry was grounded in God’s Word (Matthew 4:14-16)

Read: [Matthew 4:14-16](#)

4. Jesus’ ministry called for change (Matthew 4:17)

Read: [Matthew 4:17](#), [John 13:34-35](#), [Romans 10:14](#), [Colossians 3:16-17](#)

Generic Questions that can also be asked:

- What stood out to you this week?
- Was there anything that you found confusing or troubling in the passages from this week?
- Did anything make you think differently about God?
- How might this change the way that we live?