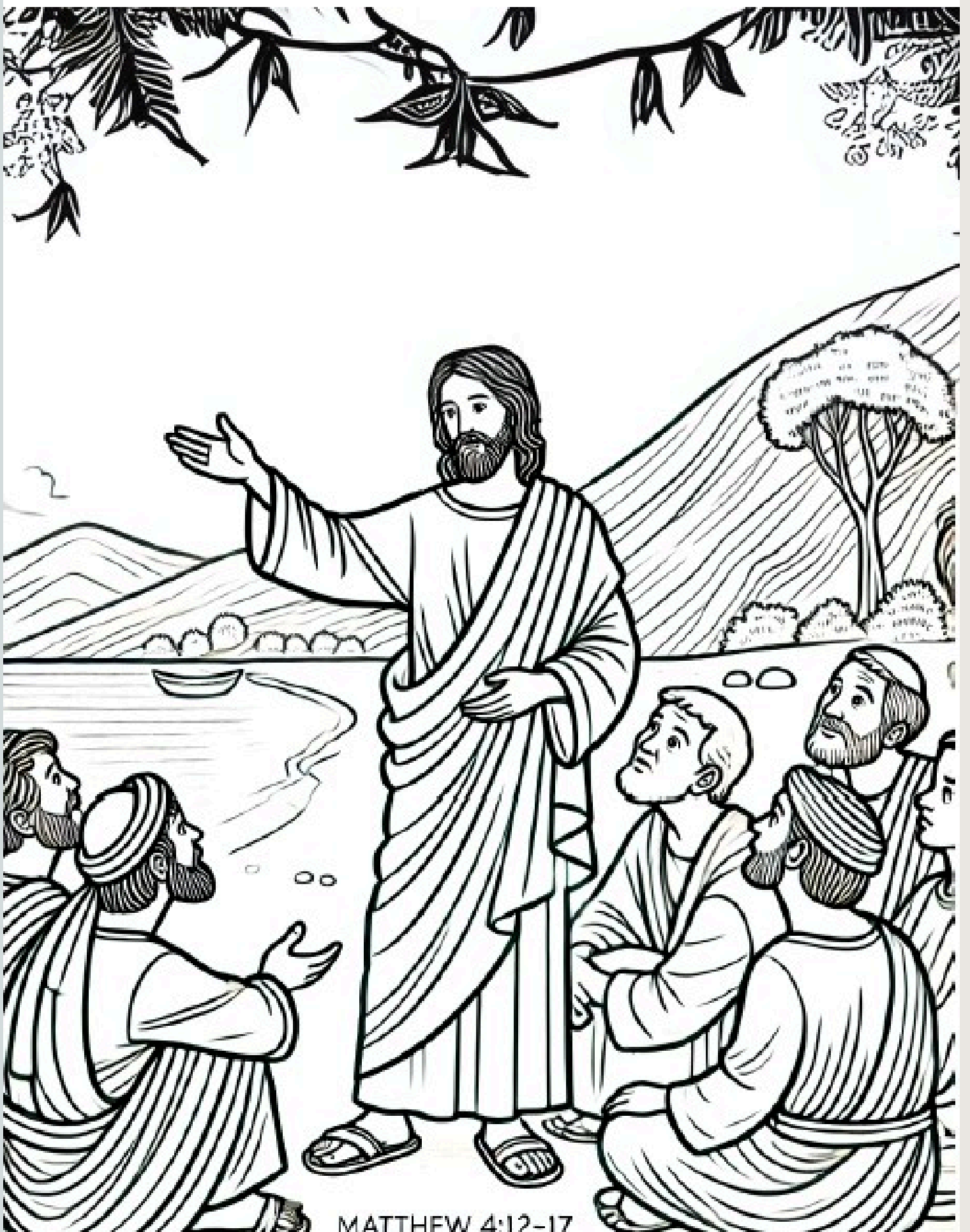


Sunday After Theophany

January 12, 2025



Coloring Icons



MATTHEW 4:12-17

Ephesians

4:7-13

7 BUT EACH OF US WAS GIVEN GRACE ACCORDING TO THE MEASURE IN WHICH CHRIST ALLOTTED IT. 8 THEREFORE, IT IS WRITTEN,

“WHEN HE ASCENDED TO THE HEIGHTS,
HE TOOK PRISONERS INTO CAPTIVITY
AND GAVE GIFTS TO MEN.”

9 NOW THE WORD “ASCENDED” IMPLIES THAT HE ALSO DESCENDED INTO THE LOWER REGIONS OF THE EARTH. 10 THE ONE WHO DESCENDED IS ALSO THE ONE WHO ASCENDED FAR ABOVE ALL THE HEAVENS, SO THAT HE MIGHT FILL ALL THINGS.

11 IT WAS HE WHO ESTABLISHED SOME AS APOSTLES, SOME AS PROPHETS, SOME AS EVANGELISTS, AND SOME AS PASTORS AND TEACHERS,^[A] 12 TO EQUIP THE SAINTS FOR THE WORK OF MINISTRY IN BUILDING UP THE BODY OF CHRIST, 13 UNTIL ALL OF US ATTAIN TO THE UNITY OF FAITH AND THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE SON OF GOD, TO FULL MATURITY, AS MEASURED BY THE FULL STATURE OF CHRIST.

Matthew

4:12-17

12 Jesus Begins His Ministry in Galilee. [a]When Jesus learned that John had been arrested,[b] he withdrew to Galilee. 13 Departing from Nazareth, he settled in Capernaum[c] by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 in order that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

15 “Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,

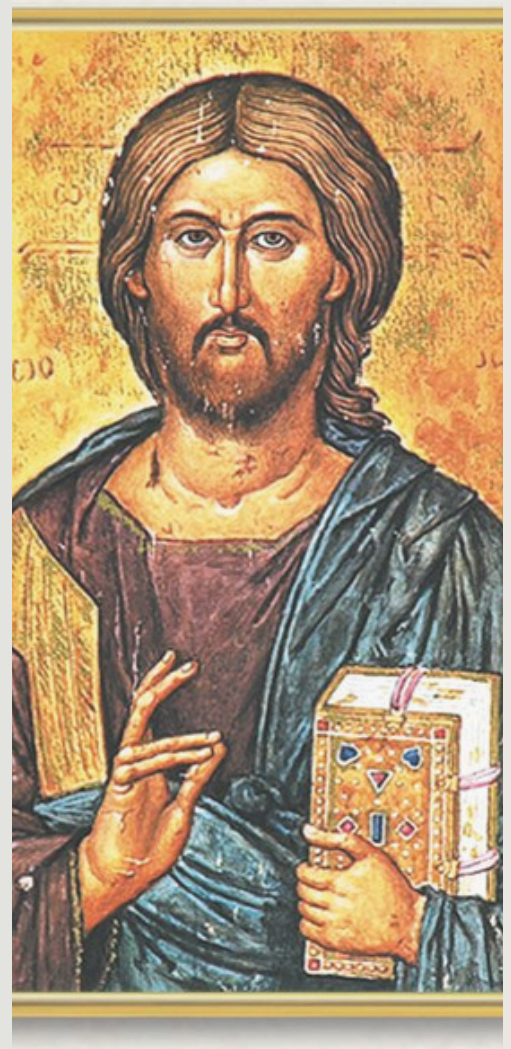
the passageway to the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles:

16 The people who lived in darkness have seen a great light,

and for those who dwell in a land darkened by the shadow of death

light has dawned.”

17 From that day forward Jesus began to proclaim the message: “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.”



Caught you Listening

In today's Gospel, we hear about the message Jesus began to preach in Galilee.

Choose the correct word from each group to see Jesus' message.
Check your answer in your Bible.

Repent/Sin
against/for
the/these
land/kingdom
of/off
heaven/sheol
is/isn't
at/with
foot/hand.

V P C V Q L L U N K D X W I N L Z G D J
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darkness

Gentiles

Nazareth

Naphtali

kingdom

Zebulun

repent

heaven

Jordan

Galilee

hand

shadow

Prayer before Communion

O LORD, I BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT YOU ARE TRULY CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD, WHO CAME INTO THE WORLD TO SAVE SINNERS OF WHOM I AM THE FIRST.

ACCEPT ME TODAY AS A PARTAKER OF YOUR MYSTICAL SUPPER, O SON OF GOD, FOR I WILL NOT REVEAL YOUR MYSTERY TO YOUR ENEMIES, NOR WILL I GIVE YOU A KISS AS DID JUDAS, BUT LIKE THE THIEF I PROFESS YOU: REMEMBER ME, O LORD, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O MASTER, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O HOLY ONE, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

MAY THE PARTAKING OF YOUR HOLY MYSTERIES, O LORD, BE NOT FOR MY JUDGMENT OR CONDEMNATION BUT FOR THE HEALING OF SOUL AND BODY.

O LORD, I ALSO BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT THIS, WHICH I AM ABOUT TO RECEIVE, IS TRULY YOUR MOST PRECIOUS BODY AND YOUR LIFE-GIVING BLOOD, WHICH, I PRAY, MAKE ME WORTHY TO RECEIVE FOR THE REMISSION OF ALL MY SINS AND FOR LIFE EVERLASTING. AMEN. O GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME, A SINNER. O GOD, CLEANSE ME OF MY SINS AND HAVE MERCY ON ME. O LORD, FORGIVE ME FOR I HAVE SINNED WITHOUT NUMBER.

Prayer for Vocations

O GOD, GREAT IN MIGHT AND INSCRUTABLE IN WISDOM, MARVELOUS IN COUNSEL ABOVE THE SONS OF MEN, FATHER OF ALL PERFECT GIFTS: YOU THE SAME LORD, ENLIGHTEN WITH YOUR HOLY SPIRIT THE HEARTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND CALL THEM TO FOLLOW YOUR ONLY BEGOTTEN SON AND OUR SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST, THE GOOD SHEPHERD! GIVE THEM THE COURAGE AND GENEROSITY NECESSARY TO OVERCOME ALL OBSTACLES TO THEIR VOCATION, FOR YOU COMPLETE WHAT IS LACKING! GIVE TO THE PARENTS THAT FAITH, LOVE AND SPIRIT OF SACRIFICE WHICH WILL INSPIRE THEM TO OFFER THEIR CHILDREN TO YOUR SERVICE AND REJOICE WHENEVER ONE OF THEIR CHILDREN IS CALLED TO FOLLOW CHRIST IN A SPECIAL WAY OF PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS CONSECRATION. WE IMPLORE YOU THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF THE MOST PURE THEOTOKOS AND EVER VIRGIN MARY!

AMEN!