



**3rd SUNDAY**  
**25 JANUARY 26 – Cycle A**



## **WORD OF THE SUNDAY**

### **PROPHETS OF EVERYDAY**



### **SETTING**

We are called by the living Word of God, a Word that does not pass away, that burns and calls.

Jesus continues to meet us on the simple paths of life and sees us as we truly are.

His voice awakens what was dormant and invites us to follow him without fear. We do not come merely to listen; we come to be transformed so that we may be witnesses of the Kingdom and prophets of hope.

May the Word of Christ dwell in our lives.

**SONG. FOLLOW ME FOLLOW ME**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sukMoxxFPbA>

## **GOSPEL Mathew 4, 12 – 23**

"When he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.' From that time on Jesus began to preach, saying, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' Walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. 'Come, follow me,' Jesus said, 'and I will send you out to fish for people.'" And they immediately left their nets and followed him. Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in a boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

### **To understand the Word**

**Is 8,23b- 9, 3.** Before our era, Isaiah, through this oracle, announces the wonderful news of the Kingdom of God on earth.

**Psalms 26, 1-14.** Profession of faith and prayer. The Lord is the light that shines in the darkness, the hope of those who journey to the Father's house.

**1Cor 1, 10-13.17.** The cross of Christ is the only cause of salvation, the foundation and requirement of unity among all believers.

**Mt 4, 12 – 23.** We are in chapter 4 of the Gospel of Matthew. Let us recall the first three chapters: first, a long genealogy that places Jesus within the history of his people, and in particular, within the lineage of David; then the announcement made to Joseph by the angel of the Lord:

“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Emmanuel,” which means “God with us.” And all the episodes that follow repeat, each in its own way, this message of the fulfilment of the promise: the visit of the Magi, the flight to Egypt, the massacre of the children of Bethlehem, and the settling of Joseph, Mary, and the child Jesus in Galilee, in Nazareth... the preaching of John the Baptist, the baptism of Jesus. With all this, we are now prepared to understand today’s text. Matthew wants us to discover something much more important: whether, at last, the light has dawned upon Israel and upon all humanity. The evangelist perfectly illustrates two things: first, that Christ's entire life unfolds under the sign of persecution... but second, he also shows us the victory over evil: from suffering and death, God brings forth Life. Indeed, in today's episode, which recounts the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, we are at a major turning point in history; with the disappearance of John the Baptist and the beginning of Jesus' preaching, humanity has entered a decisive stage: from the time of promise we move to the time of its fulfilment. "The Kingdom of God is here!" And so that this Good News may be known, Jesus relies on witnesses, on the men he chooses to be his collaborators; Jesus associates the apostles with his mission as Savior.

### **I pray with the Word**

Jesus brings light to the men and women of every age and invites us to follow him. He, the Savior, does not carry out his task alone; he calls us to follow him. Have you heard his call? What is your discipleship like?



**AMBIENTAL MUSIC.**

**WALKING ON AIR – DAVID MÓDICA**

[https://youtu.be/-oQ\\_ZQvL3o?si=LCiczHxj2oGamQIk](https://youtu.be/-oQ_ZQvL3o?si=LCiczHxj2oGamQIk)

## WAKE-UP IS NOT OPTIONAL

Speak, Lord, let your Word  
break the silence,  
ignite our inner selves,  
and awaken our hearts.

Your voice calls us  
amidst the noise,  
names us lifts us up,  
and sets us on our way.

Make us witnesses with our lives,  
with simple gestures,  
with sincere words,  
and open hands.

Inspire in us a passion  
for your Kingdom,  
a hunger for justice,  
a thirst for truth,  
and love in every detail.

Tear away our fear,  
comfortable faith easy excuses,  
short steps and closed minds.

We want to be prophets  
in the small things,  
in the streets,  
in the wounds,  
and in the night.

May your Spirit push us,  
dislodge us, send us  
beyond ourselves.

And may others discover,  
by looking at us,  
by listening to us,  
by walking with us,  
that you continue to call

## CANTO. VENGA A NOSOTROS TU REINO – CRISTÓBAL FONES

[https://youtu.be/l8KxHzqn-Mw?si=ryc8dOuvbu\\_7hxQp](https://youtu.be/l8KxHzqn-Mw?si=ryc8dOuvbu_7hxQp)

## PARA ESTAR CONTIGO – AIN KAREM

<https://youtu.be/M4XFEIgvIkc?si=8GJeeK5CXkBe28ar>



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