

## Marinating in God's Word: Matthew 4:23-25

It's a passage whose summary form can prompt our eyes to skip on by. Don't. Here we learn what Jesus did, and now what we do.

For further reflection on your own or in a small group, consider these questions:

- Just up the page we see Peter, Andrew, James and John drop their fishing nets to follow Jesus. In these verses we see summary of what Jesus DID. What did he do? And using your knowledge of what other religious people then did (and do now), what did he not do?
- How much of what Jesus did can we do? Why do you say this? What else, beyond what Jesus did, do we do in the name of the Lord? Should we do other things?
- Jesus taught and preached in the countryside (outside the usual religious times and places), but also in the synagogues (the usual religious times and places). Why do you suppose he did both? How have you seen Jesus move beyond an within the usual religious places?
- What are your basic beliefs about healing, and our role in Jesus' ministry of healing?
- What are your basic beliefs about deliverance from demonic powers? Have you experienced this? What happened?

Next week we will focus on Matthew 5:1-2.