



## Week 4 – January 21, 2024 Sermon

*Please review these questions and write your answers prior to attending your Life Group meeting. The sermon manuscript and these questions can be accessed each week at [saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lifegrouphisweek](http://saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lifegrouphisweek)*

### **Getting to Know One Another**

1a. Where does fish or seafood rank for you when it comes to types of food to eat?

1b. Sushi too?

2. What's been going on this week?

### **Into The Sermon**

3. Did Sunday's sermon encourage you or disturb you or both or something else? And why?

4. What did the sermon identify as elements of Colonialism's legacy in many contemporary approaches to evangelism employed in Western Christianity?

4b. Did the connections made between Colonialism and many popular approaches to evangelism resonate / make sense to you?

4c. Do you agree with the sermon that even if some "results" come from methods of coercive evangelism, they are still approaches that Christians should leave behind? Why or why not?

5. The sermon put forth some ways Jesus loved and ministered as a model for how we might imagine being fishers of people.

a. Does this approach resonate for you? Why or why not?

b. Reviewing the 4-point list of "Ways Jesus Loved & Ministered", was there a particular facet that stood out to you most or that you think may be a learning opportunity for you with Jesus in this season of life?

6. Did the sermon make Jesus' invitation to learn how to be fishers of people a more attractive opportunity? Why or why not?

7. Fr John has suggested elsewhere that when it comes to loved ones whom we particularly desire to take a step or steps toward God's kingdom life, but who do not show themselves to be People of Peace for us at this time, we should seek God's help to restrain from spiritual nagging, lest we cause more harm than good.

a. Evaluate the soundness of this logic. Do you agree or disagree?

b. If you agree, how would this be put into practice? If you disagree, what approach would you consider taking instead?

### **One-Sentence Prayers**

8. Do you have any prayer requests for one-sentence prayers?