

# Let There Be Life!

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Isa 9:1-4; 1 Cor 1:10-18; Mt 4:12-25

## Introduction

A life-changing event...

CCT: The Lord Jesus manifests His glory in giving  
\_\_\_\_\_ to sinners.

## I. Jesus Still Forgives

Why do we have a church and school?

How did Jesus' ministry begin?

Matthew 4:17 (ESV)

<sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

How does this apply to us?

What do we need to hear?

1 Corinthians 1:18 (ESV)

<sup>18</sup>For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

## II. Jesus Still Calls

Why, also, do we have a Lutheran school?

Matthew 4:19 (ESV)

<sup>19</sup>And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

"Come, follow me."

A contemporary example...

What do we uphold?

To what do we cling?

1 John 2:1-2 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. <sup>2</sup>He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

## Conclusion