Jesus' ministry message...

After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news." (Mark 1:14-15)

Salvation: a two-sided coin...

- Repent: turn from <u>sin</u> in <u>humility</u> "Repent..." (v. 15a)
- Believe: turn to <u>God</u> in <u>faith</u> "...and believe the good news." (v. 15b)

Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death. (2 Cor. 7:10)

Jesus' ministry team...

As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. (v. 16)

- The call: follow "'Come follow me, 'Jesus said..." (v. 17a)
- The mission: <u>training</u> and <u>reaching</u> "...and I will make you fishers of men." (v. 17b)

He appointed twelve – designating them apostles – that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons. (*Mark 3:14-15*)

• The cost: <u>surrender</u> – "At once they left their nets and followed him. When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him." (vv. 18-20)

? Challenge: what proverbial "<u>net</u>" keeps you from surrendering to Jesus?

If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. *(Luke 9:23)*

You are not your own; you were bought at a price. (1 Cor. 6:19-20)