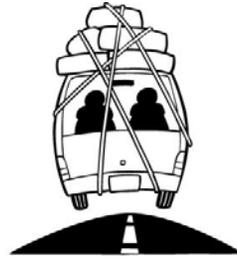


***Nurturing Faith...  
Every Day in Every Way***



July 18, 2021

Jeremiah 23:1-6  
Psalm 23 (1)  
Ephesians 2:11-22  
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56



***Getting Away from It All***  
*Object: Some vacation photos*

How many of you have taken a vacation? Would some of you like to tell us where you went? (Allow some time to share.) I have been on vacation too. We went to the mountains and I got a lot of beautiful pictures of trees, lakes, and rivers. It was so quiet and peaceful, and I really enjoyed getting away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

We all need to get away, don't we?

Did you know that even Jesus recognized that we sometimes need to take some time off to get caught up on our rest?

One day the disciples went to Jesus and told him how busy they had been teaching and ministering to the needs of people. "There have been so many people coming and going that we sometimes don't even have time to stop and eat," they told Jesus.

"Come with me to a quiet place so that you can get some rest," Jesus said to the disciples. So, the Bible tells us that they got in a boat and went away with Jesus to a quiet place.

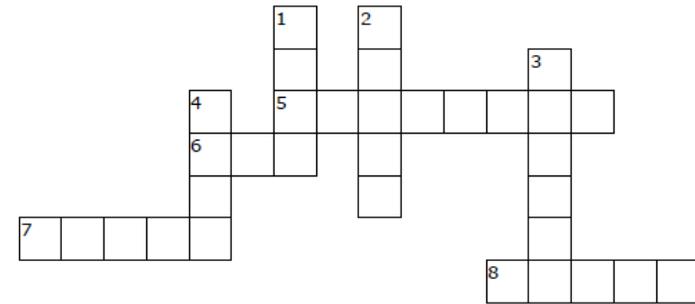
Yes, we all need a time to get away from it all!

Dear Father, we thank you for work, for play, and for school. We also thank you for those times when we can get away from it all—and get some rest. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia. (John 10:27)

**Crossword Puzzle**



**ACROSS**

- 5. The early followers of Jesus
- 6. To take solid food through the mouth
- 7. Without noise or activity
- 8. To give knowledge or skills to others

**DOWN**

- 1. A small vessel for traveling on water
- 2. A large group of people
- 3. Any group of men, women, and children
- 4. To take a break from activity

EAT	TEACH	BOAT	APOSTLES
PEOPLE	QUIET	REST	CROWD

**BEE QUIET:** Give the child a picture of a bumble bee. Have the child color the bumble bee yellow and black. Cut out the bumble bee and glue onto construction paper. Give the child black pipe cleaners for the antennae. Below the picture write BEE QUIET and get REST AND RELAXATION...Mark 6:30-32.



"COME WITH ME  
BY YOURSELVES  
TO A QUIET  
PLACE AND GET  
SOME REST."  
MARK 6:31

