



Synod of the Diocese of West Malaysia

St Mary's Cathedral

Making disciples of Jesus Christ

This Was To Fulfil... (Matthew 8:14-17)

Read Matthew 8:14-17

1. What did Jesus do for Peter's mother-in-law?
2. Matthew includes the detail that she began to serve Jesus. What does this detail tell us about the healing?
3. What happened that evening?

The fulfilment of prophesy is a big theme in Matthew's gospel. Indeed he records Jesus himself saying "Do not think I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfil them." (Matthew 5:17)

4. Use the table below to discuss the connections that Matthew has already made between Jesus' life and Old Testament prophecies.

Matthew	OT	What is being highlighted about Jesus?
1:20-23	Isaiah 7:14	
2:1-6	Micah 5:2	
2:14-15	Hosea 11:1	
3:1-3	Isaiah 40:3	
4:13-16	Isaiah 9:1-2	

In reflecting on that night in Capernaum, Matthew references Isaiah 53:4.

Read Isaiah 53:4-6, 10-12.

5. What do you think Matthew is saying about who Jesus is and what else he will do?

6. *Jesus has borne our infirmities and our iniquities; he has carried our sorrows and our sins.*

a. *When will we experience this in its fullness? (See Rev 21:1-4)*

b. *When you or your loved ones are sick or suffering, what difference does it make to know this?*

Spend time in prayer bringing to Jesus those known to you who are sick, suffering and in distress.

You might like to start or end your time of prayer with the hymn Man of Sorrows (Hallelujah, what a saviour)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x4WVT-_Xt7M