



# Friends of Jesus and Mary

## Cycle C - IV Sunday in Ordinary Time

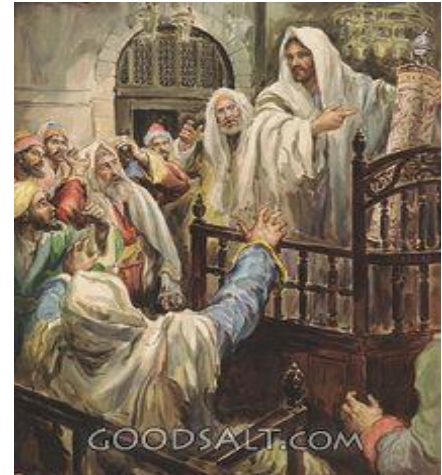
*Jeremiah 1, 4-5. 17-19 Psalm 70; 1 Cor 12, 31-13, 13; Luke 4, 21-30*

### **No prophet is accepted in his own native place.**

Jesus began speaking in the synagogue, saying: "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" He said to them, "Surely you will quote me this proverb, 'Physician, cure yourself,' and say, 'Do here in your native place the things that we heard were done in Capernaum.'" And he said, "Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place. Indeed, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah when the sky was closed for three and a half years and a severe famine spread over the entire land. It was to none of these that Elijah was sent, but only to a widow in Zarephath in the land of Sidon. Again, there were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away.

### **Reflection**

**Jesus read in the synagogue in Nazareth from the book of Isaiah. Who was Isaiah?** (He was a prophet who lived 765 years before Jesus and who spoke of the awaited Messiah.) **After reading, Jesus said, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." What did Jesus mean?** (Isaiah's prophesy was speaking about Jesus, himself.) **Jesus was raised in Nazareth. What were the people who knew Him His whole life saying?** (Isn't this the son of Joseph? They saw Him as one of themselves, not the Messiah.) **Jesus, who is God and knows what is in the hearts of everyone, saw that they did not believe Him. They wanted to see signs and miracles which they had heard He did in other towns. What does Jesus say to them?** (Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place.) **Then Jesus gives them examples of people in scripture of other nationalities, not Jewish, which were saved by God instead, like the widow of Zarephath and the lepers from Syria. What was Jesus saying to them?** (Sometimes foreigners have more faith than God's chosen people.) **They heard Jesus and did not believe Him. Do you believe that Jesus is God, who loves and saves you? How can we increase our faith in Jesus our Savior, our King, our Pastor, our Friend?** (By seeking His presence in the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist; by opening our hearts and listening to Him in prayer, in scripture, in nature, in our neighbor...)



### **Activity**

On the following page, write the syllables in the corresponding boxes to reveal Jesus' message. What does this mean? On the last page, write under the appropriate picture: My King, My Pastor, My Friend, My Savior. Share how Jesus is My King, My Pastor, My Friend, My Savior.

### **Prayer**

Lord, help me to grow in faith every day. Teach me to see You in all those around me and those that I meet in this life. Help me to be a witness of your presence and Love in this world. Amen

**Song:** I Believe in Jesus, Saddleback Kids, (Ctrl Click) [https://youtu.be/AIKj\\_Afv-hs](https://youtu.be/AIKj_Afv-hs)

**PPT:** [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1wDlOoKtDKr-mR3XVU4VvBMwyyM\\_KF5Ac/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115268475267556305384&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1wDlOoKtDKr-mR3XVU4VvBMwyyM_KF5Ac/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115268475267556305384&rtpof=true&sd=true)



Cycle C – IV Sunday in Ordinary Time  
They were furious and drove Jesus out of town.



Write the syllables in the corresponding boxes to reveal Jesus' message.


References:

TED		PHET	
OWN		IN	
HIS			
NA		PLACE	
TIVE		AC	
CEP			
IS		PRO	
NO			

WHAT DOES THIS SAYING MEAN?

Solucion: ningun profeta es bien recibido en su tierra

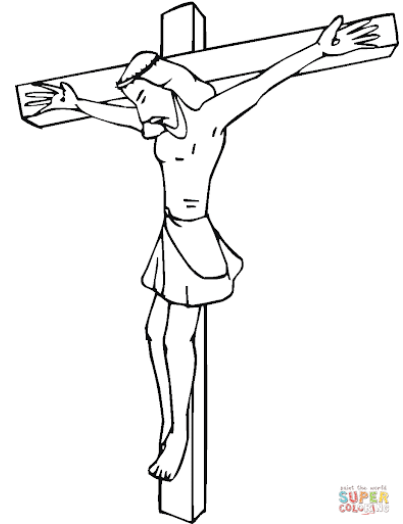
FLORIDA

45 SW 71 Ave. – Miami, FL 33144 – Tel: (305) 412-1700 – E-mail: info@fcpeace.com

Webpage: www.fcpeace.com



**JESUS, I BELIEVE IN YOU. YOU ARE...**



Write under the appropriate picture: My King, My Pastor, My Friend, My Savior.  
Share how Jesus is My King, My Pastor, My Friend, My Savior.