

13. If you have the time, reflect on one or more of the following passages: (2 Timothy 4:1-5, Matthew 7:24-27, John 6:66-69; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5) (3 minutes)
14. Based on what we have studied today, how might we better teach and nurture new believers or indeed mature believers, remembering how we ourselves learned best? (2 minutes)

★ What in the life of our Church shows this Mark matters to us? (2 minutes)

★ How is this Mark reflected in our worship? (3 minutes)

★ What more could we do as a Church to live this Mark? (10 minutes)

★ Who else in our community does this? How can we help them? (5 minutes)

In Colossians 3:16, the Apostle Paul encourages us to 'teach one another'. Spend some time in silence, reflecting and praying on how you might seek to teach, nurture or encourage someone else this week. Pray for opportunity and boldness. (5 minutes)

(In preparation for next week's meeting, be gently reminded to reflect on the following passages: 2 Kings 5:1-14; Job 2:11-13; Matthew 25:31-46; Mark 10:46-52; Luke 10:25-37 and John 13:1-17.)

## A Lent course for the Anglican Church of Bermuda, 2014

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Five Marks of Mission*

The time allocations are suggested to facilitate  
completion of your group session in one hour

### Getting to know you (8 minutes)

1. Introduce yourself to the group.
2. Discuss the different ways that children are helped to learn. Share what ways helped you the most.

### Mark 2: To teach, baptize and nurture new believers

The second mark picks up on the words of Jesus that we looked at last week 'to make disciples of all nations.' It is the task of the church to help believers of all ages to grow in their faith.

3. Apart from the Sunday sermon – how do people grow in their understanding of the faith? (2 minutes)

Read Deuteronomy 6:1-9

4. How can this picture be translated into our homes and churches today? (2 minutes)

5. From home and family to gathered community, what is the aim of Christian teaching? Read Nehemiah 8:1-10 (1 minute)

6. As we think of the life of Jesus, who and how did he teach and nurture those around him? Think of specific examples from the gospels. (2 minutes)

Read the following passages and answer these questions for each passage:

7. To whom is Jesus speaking?
8. What does his teaching involve?

Matthew 5:1-12 (2 minutes)

John 3:1-15 (2 minutes)

John 8:3-11 (2 minutes)

Luke 23:32-43 (2 minutes)

Now read Luke 24:13-27

9. Do we ever have all the answers?

10. Have you ever changed your mind about what you believe? (2 minutes)

Imagine yourself as one of the two men on the road – their hearts are heavy and sad.

11. How does Jesus support them in their confusion? (2 minutes)

12. What is the essence of the faith that you feel needs to be communicated? (3 minutes)