

# *GATHER 10*

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS** **Week of June 26, 2022**

This week's discussion questions are based on the First Reading found at 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21 and on the Gospel found at Luke 9:51-62

- ✚ In the First Reading, Elisha asks to say goodbye to his parents. He appears to be not quite ready to take on the new role as prophet. Describe a time when you have felt unprepared for what was asked/expected of you.
- ✚ Once Elisha is with his family, he demonstrates himself as being completely faithful to God when he destroys the means by which he formerly earned his livelihood – slaughtering the oxen and using the plow as fuel to create a feast for his people. When was the last time you made yourself totally available to what was ahead? What did you do to prepare?
- ✚ In the Gospel, Jesus and the disciples meet opposition in one of the villages along their way. Two of the disciples, in their anger, want to call down fire from heaven to consume the village. Jesus responds with mercy toward the village and rebukes the disciples. Have you ever encountered someone who opposes God and/or the church? How did you respond?
- ✚ In the Gospel, a man tells Jesus, “I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home.” We often say, “I will follow you, Lord, but let me first [fill in the blank].” Is there anything God is asking you to give up or detach yourself from in order to follow him? Have you been able to do it?
- ✚ We hear the answers Jesus gives to the reasons other people have given for not following him completely. Does Jesus seem overly harsh to you? Why or why not?



*Prayer Intentions*