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**Sunday, April 27, 2008**

**Scripture Reading: John 14:15-21**

**TODAY'S THOUGHT: If you have always done it that way, it is probably wrong. —Charles Kettering**

Have you ever been having your daily devotions, and you read something in the Bible and it jumps out at you in a way it never did before? A friend of mine recently told me that that happened to him when he was reading John 14, our Bible reading for today (see above). In John 14:31, He came across an interesting verse which, when he read it, caused him to put his Bible down on his lap and think about it.

This chapter, as you know, follows the Upper Room and Last Supper events of chapter 13. Judas has left the scene. Satan's got him now. The disciples are disquieted. Jesus says "Do not let your hearts be troubled ..." and he keeps talking, in John's version of events, and the last sentence of the chapter, perhaps as Jesus makes ready to visit Gethsemane, is "Rise, let us be on our way."

Jesus would then go to Gethsemane and from there to a mock trial and from there to his crucifixion. So when He says, "Rise, let us be on our way," He knew the "way" they would be on would not be easy. In fact it would be very difficult, and all of the disciples would flee.

So what did Jesus mean when he said, "be on our way"? To what "way" has Jesus called us and called the church? Are we on that "way"? And if not, how do we get on it? How would we know?

Jesus called Himself the "way" in this same conversation. "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" (14:6). Christians were first described as "followers of the way." "Rise, let us be on our way." I like that this is a shared journey. Note that Jesus says "let us ... be on our way." Jesus goes with us on the way.

**Prayer: Lord Jesus, this is a call for me to "rise" and be willing to follow You wherever you lead me. Thank You for sharing this journey with me. In Your name, I pray. Amen.**

# Activity Page for the week of April 26, 2008

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## FISHY WORDS

There's something fishy about these words. What is it?  
See answer below.


**CARPET    CODES    SPIKED    SOLEMN**

## RUTH

Be sure to read the book of Ruth in this week's readings. Apart from God's love for us, it is the greatest love story in the Bible. The words below are all from the book of Ruth. Find them in the Word Search.

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- Barley
- Bethlehem
- Boaz
- David
- Elimelech
- Gleaning
- Grain
- Harvest
- Jesse
- Judah
- Kilion
- Kinsman
- Mahlon
- Mara
- Moab
- Naomi
- Obed
- Orpah
- Ruth
- Sandals
- Threshing
- Vinegar
- Winnow



Fish: carp, cod, pike, sole