

# **Lectionary Connection**

*Circle the passages that have been assigned to you:*

- a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year, C (Isaiah 62:1–5 and John 2:1–12)
- b. 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year, C (Jeremiah 1:4–5,17–19 and Luke 4:21–30)
- c. Solemnity of the Epiphany (Isaiah 60:1–6 and Matthew 2:1–12)
- d. 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year, C (1 Kings 17:17–24 and Luke 7:11–17)
- e. 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year, B (2 Kings 4:42–44 and John 6:1–15)
- f. 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent, A (Isaiah 7:10–14 and Matthew 1:18–24)

*Work with the members of your group to answer the following questions:*

1. What images or symbols do these readings (Old Testament and Gospel) share in common?
2. What themes or ideas do these readings share in common?
3. Why do you think the Church chose this particular Old Testament text to be used with this particular Gospel reading? What is the Church trying to teach us by pairing these readings?
4. How does this Old Testament text help us to better understand God's promise of a Messiah?
5. How does this Old Testament reading help us to better understand the person of Jesus and his role in the fulfillment of the covenant?
6. How does this Gospel reading help us to better understand the person of Jesus and his role in the fulfillment of the covenant?

