Matthew 12:15-21

God's Chosen Servant

15Aware of this, Jesus withdrew from that place. Many followed him, and he healed all their sick, **16**warning them not to tell who he was. **17**This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah:

- 18"Here is my servant whom I have chosen, the one I love, in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him,
 - and he will proclaim justice to the nations.
- **19**He will not quarrel or cry out; no one will hear his voice in the streets.
- **20**A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out, till he leads justice to victory.
 - **21**In his name the nations will put their hope."

Mark 3:7-12

Crowds Follow Jesus

7Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the lake, and a large crowd from Galilee followed.8When they heard all he was doing, many people came to him from Judea, Jerusalem, Idumea, and the regions across the Jordan and around Tyre and Sidon. 9Because of the crowd he told his disciples to have a small boat ready for him, to keep the people from crowding him.10For he had healed many, so that those with diseases were pushing forward to touch him.11Whenever the evil spirits saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, "You are the Son of God." 12But he gave them strict orders not to tell who he was.