

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE LIFE, WORK,
TEACHING AND CLAIMS OF JESUS CHRIST

Amazed: Amazed by Christ's Power

LUKE 5:1-11 | JANUARY 25 & 26, 2014

This week's passage transports us to the shores of Galilee where after a long night of unsuccessful fishing, Peter and his friends are cleaning their nets and listening to Jesus teach. Afterward, he invites them to go back in the water to fish again and amazes them with a great catch. Then Jesus turns to them and invites them to "fish" in a whole new way.



Watch this week's summary message from Pastor Mike at <http://luke.christchurchil.org/resources>. (Videos will be live on Sunday afternoon.)

WITH THE GROUP



LEARNING | BEGINNING TO CONNECT WITH THE TOPIC

Share about a time you took a risk in your life? What was the risk? Where did you find the courage to "go for it"? How did it turn out?



LEARNING | GETTING CLEAR ON WHAT WAS TAUGHT

As a group, set the scene for the encounter in Luke 5:1-11 by answering who, what, where, when and why questions. Try to put yourself in the environment by describing the physical details, but also imagine the emotions (e.g. after a whole night of fishing, how tired, how smelly, what did the men first think when their nets grew heavy, etc.)

What does Jesus mean when he invites Peter, James and John to be "fishers of men"? Do you think Jesus wants their help for him, or for them? Why?



LOVING | GROWING OUR HEART FOR A LOVING GOD

What was the most helpful or inspirational part of the sermon for you?

What qualified Peter, James and John to be invited to follow Jesus? Read Acts 4:13 to see how these ordinary fishermen turned out. Could you be just as qualified as these men?



LIVING | STARTING TO LIVE LIKE JESUS DAILY

What do you think Zebedee (the father of James and John) thought about the decision of his two boys to follow Jesus?

Does what others might think of your choices to follow or talk about Jesus influence your "risk-taking"? (i.e. family members, co-workers, neighbors or friends) How does this make you feel?

ON YOUR OWN



PRACTICING

Jot down the names of people who come to mind when you pray and ask God who He has put in your life to befriend and influence in regards to faith. Pray and ask God for opportunities and boldness to share more of your heart for them to know Jesus more personally.



PRAYING

God, thank you that you have invited me to follow you and fish. Open my eyes to the ones you allow me to know, connect with and invite into a life with you. Help me be bold in my faith, knowing that you alone qualify me to serve with you in this effort.



MEMORIZING

"Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always to the very end of the age."

(Matthew 28:19-20)

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