

at home

Younger Elementary

Loving Jesus

Scripture

John 1:35-42

Matthew 4:18-22

Luke 5:1-11

Bible Truth

Jesus called the disciples to follow him, to learn from him and to tell others about him.

Lesson Aim

To show my love for God by telling others about Jesus.

Memory Work

"Come, follow me,"
Jesus said, "and I
will make you fishers
of men."

Matthew 4:19

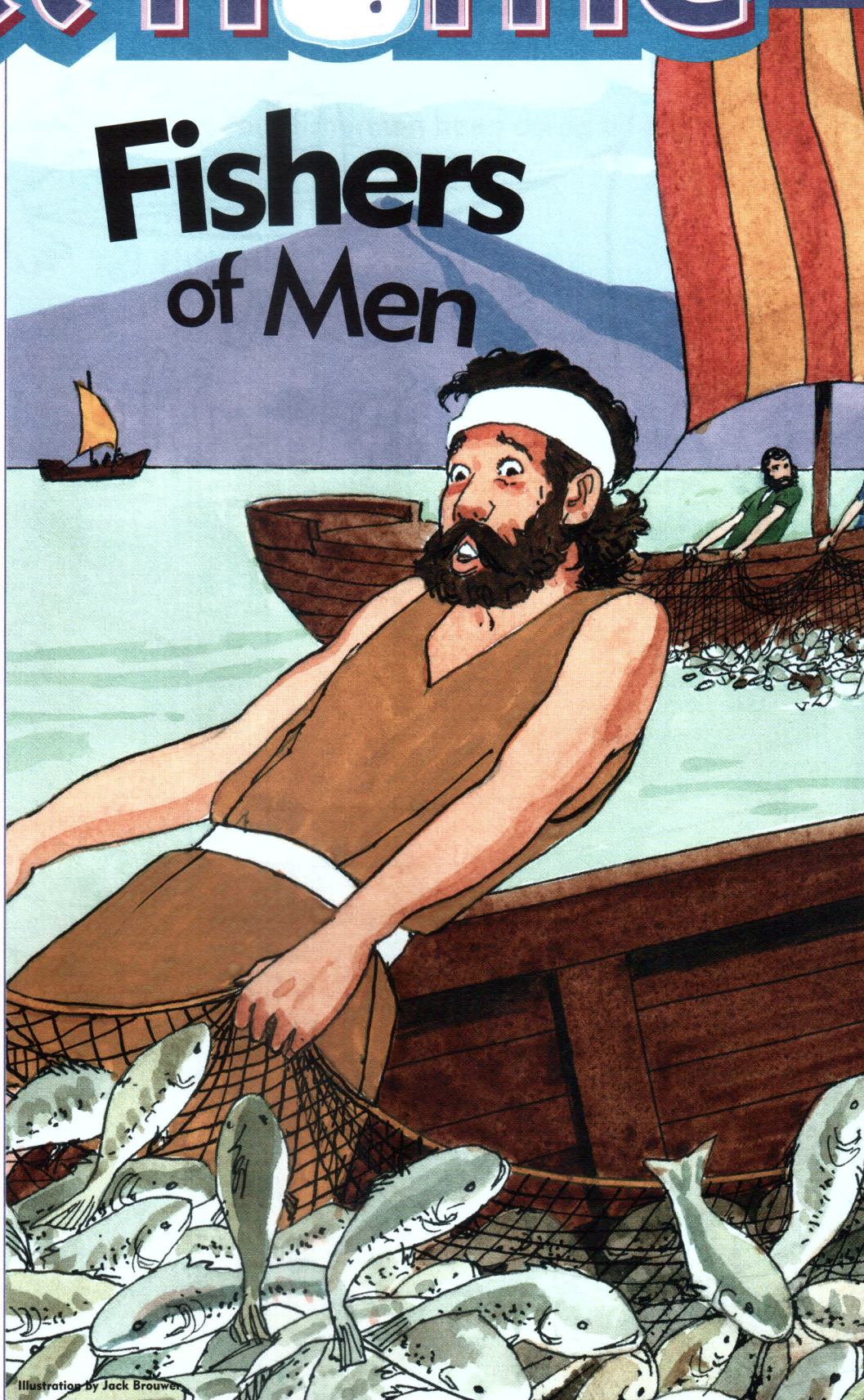


Illustration by Jack Brouwer



How Do I Fish for People?

To discover the answer, fill in the blanks using the words on the boat.
Then color the boat, words and fish.

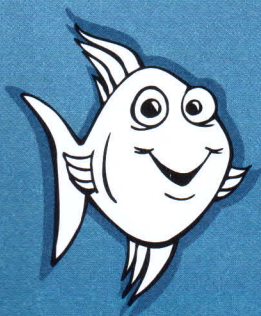
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I can others about Jesus.

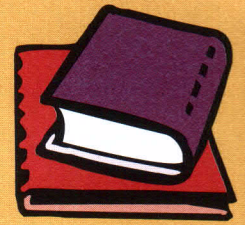
I can others to church.

I can by the way I act that I love Jesus.



Jesus Calls Fishermen

Color the fish next to the correct answer for each question.
(Some questions have more than one correct answer.)



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What had the four fishermen been doing all night?



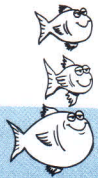
Sleeping

Watching TV

Fishing

2

What had they caught?



No fish

14 fish

A shoe

3

When Jesus told Peter to go back out and fish some more, what did Peter do?



He said no.



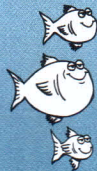
He stomped his foot.



He obeyed.

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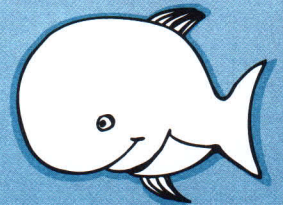
Why did Peter let down his nets again?



He saw fish in the water.

Jesus told him to.

His boat was sinking.



5

When Jesus called Peter, Andrew, James and John to follow him, what did he promise they would catch?



Lots of shrimp

Men

A cold

6

How can I fish for people?



By telling others about Jesus



By being selfish

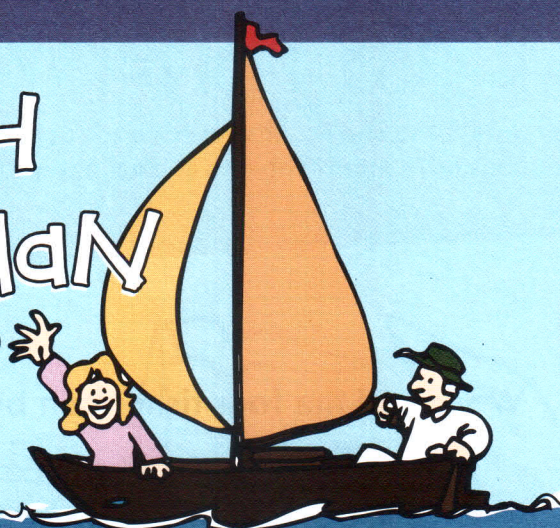


By inviting people to church

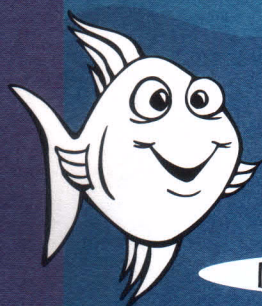


WHICH FISHERMAN AM I?

read-together questions



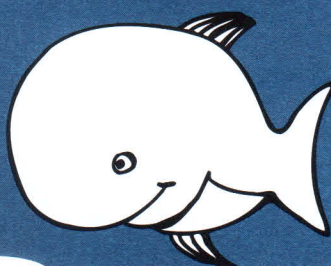
How did each of Jesus' first four disciples catch people for Jesus? To find out, read these sentences and Bible verses together and name each fisherman!



In the Bible, I am called "the disciple Jesus loved." God used me to catch fish by preaching and by writing five books in the New Testament. I wrote the very last book after I was sent to live on an island because I preached about Jesus. (Read Revelation 1:9)

I am

When I met Jesus Christ, I ran to tell my brother, Simon, who became a spokesman for Jesus' 12 disciples. (Read John 1:40-41)



I am

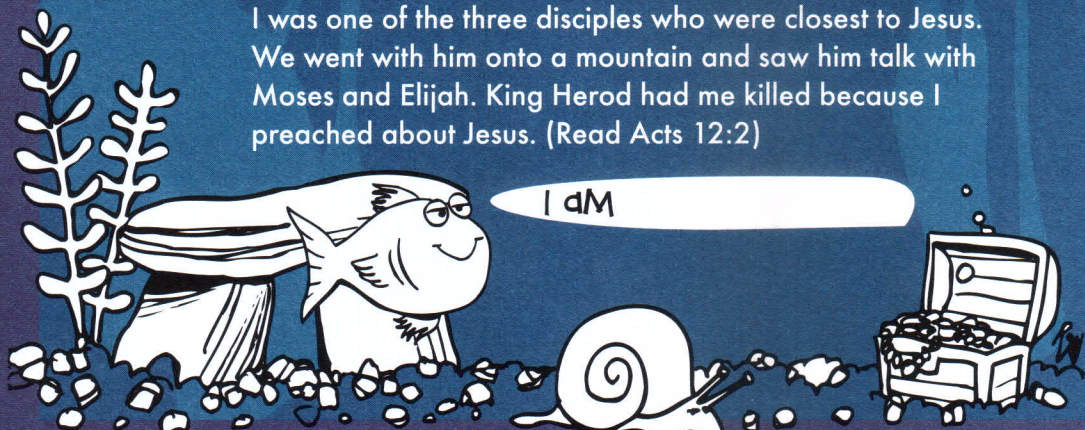


I sometimes said the wrong thing, but Jesus changed my name because he knew God would change me and use me. I was the first disciple to preach the gospel after Jesus went to heaven and the first disciple to do a miracle. (Read Acts 2:14)

I am

I was one of the three disciples who were closest to Jesus. We went with him onto a mountain and saw him talk with Moses and Elijah. King Herod had me killed because I preached about Jesus. (Read Acts 12:2)

I am



Family Focus



Today the children learned that Jesus called four fishermen to follow him and to become fishers of men. We can fish for people by telling others about Jesus, inviting them to church and showing our faith by the way we live. God uses ordinary people who love him to accomplish his extraordinary work of bringing others into his family of believers. For family Bible reading, the verses below focus on telling others about Jesus.

Matthew 28:19-20

Romans 1:16-17

Psalm 96:2-3

Romans 10:14

Deuteronomy 6:5-7