



Peter and his friends couldn't catch any fish.



Dear Parent:

Simple fishermen, everyday people, were called by Jesus to do very special work for him. Jesus transformed Peter, James and John by teaching them through word and deed who he was. The disciples, as firsthand witnesses, were able to record Christ's life clearly in the gospel accounts in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Today your child heard the good news that Jesus controls everything—even fish! Peter, realizing that he was a sinner, humbled himself before Jesus and willingly left his fishing trade to follow him. Remind your children this week that whatever they do and wherever they go, they should follow Jesus. May you have a happy week as you follow Jesus as a family.

Lesson Twelve: Jesus and the Fishermen

Scripture

Luke 5:1-11

Lesson Aim

To follow Jesus by trusting, loving, and obeying him

Memory Work

We love because he first loved us. 1 70hn 4:19

First Catechism*

Review 1–5

- 6. Is there more than one true God? No. There is only one true God.
- 7. In how many Persons does this one God exist? *In three Persons*.
- 8. Name these three Persons. *The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

A Read-to-Me Bible Story

Jesus was teaching by the lake. He told people about God. Many people came to hear him. Some men nearby had been out fishing all night. They were so tired and they hadn't caught one fish! Jesus told Peter, the fisherman, to go out on the lake. "Go catch fish." Tired Peter obeyed. Something amazing happened! Fish, fish and MORE fish filled Peter's net and boat. It filled his friends' boat too! The boats couldn't hold all the fish. Only God could send that many fish.

Peter knew that Jesus was God. Peter was afraid because he knew he was a sinner. Peter had not obeyed God. Jesus told Peter not to be afraid. Jesus asked Peter and his friends to leave their boats and come with him. Jesus taught them many things. They were Jesus' students, his disciples. They loved and trusted Jesus. They followed Jesus.

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