

Twists and Turns

Jesus is Worth Following

Matthew 4:18-20; Luke 5:1-11

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MESSAGE NOTES

_____ in the Boat!

Luke 5:1-3

_____ in the Boat!

Luke 5:4-9

_____ to Get Out of the Boat!

Luke 5:10-11

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. This story helps us find the wrong answers we've given Jesus. What are your wrong answers when he's called you to follow him, trust him with your future, or believe he can work through you?
2. What happens after Simon submits to Jesus' authority? Why do you think Jesus chose this miracle? What does it say about him?
3. For Simon and his business partners, fish equaled money. How would you expect him to respond to this large catch of fish? What do we find him doing instead? What is strange about that?
4. Even more strange than how Simon acts is what he says. What does Simon tell Jesus and why is that such a strange request? What is going on in Simon's heart that causes him to ask this?
5. If all you have ever thought of Jesus is, "How can I get him to do something for me?" then you haven't really seen Jesus yet. Anyone who has entered into a genuine relationship with Jesus has, at some point, been brought low before him and cried out (in their own words): "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." In many ways, Simon's posture is one we should all have after studying what Luke tells about Jesus. If we are really listening as Luke puts Jesus' glory on display, we should be asking: "Can a person like me really be loved and used by a person like him?"