Family Worship Ideas Luke 5 1-11 Week Beginning 25 Feb 2014

Introduction



In this story, Jesus starts to choose those that he will work with for the next 3ish years. He doesn't choose the ones that know the most or the ones who have the most money to give to his cause, he chooses ordinary people. People who just happened to be working down by the shore on the day he preaches there. One of the key things in this story is that they dropped *everything* to follow him. Discipleship is costly. Take Some time to explore this story with your family, what it means and respond to Jesus' invitation to Follow him.

Ideas for the Whole family

Story

Read the story again either from a bible (Luke 5:1-11) if possible or children's bible/book if that's more appropriate.

You might even want to watch a video depiction of the story as well.

Cartoon:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dm-U5VqEuJo

Live action:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iwN8fCF3xyA

Fish Mobile Craft - I will Follow Jesus

Use this craft as a practical way of responding to the story and saying you will follow Jesus.

Instruction

- 1. Print out the crown and fish shapes at the end of the document on card (or mount them on card if preferred)
- Cut them out and decorate the fish shapes writing one name on each for the members of your family as a statement that you will follow Jesus
- 3. Put one whole in the head of the fish and one in the crown for each fish and attach with string or wool



This 'Golden Oldie' is also a great response and declaration of your family's commitment to following Jesus. This version is a Contemporary take by Elevation Worship.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iRb769P50IQ

Lyrics:

[Verse 1]

I have decided to follow Jesus [Tag]

I have decided to follow Jesus Everything all I am
I have decided to follow Jesus And all I have to bring

No turning back, no turning back

I will give to you my everything...

[Verse 2] [Bridge]

Though none go with me, I still will follow I will follow, my heart surrendered

Though none go with me, I still will follow

My Jesus I am yours

Though none go with me, I still will follow

I will follow, my life in your hands

No turning back, no turning back My Jesus I am yours

Ideas for younger children

Discussion/ explain

Depending on age and ability either explain the story and It's meaning for us (see intro for ideas) or discuss:

- 1. What does this story mean?
- 2. Why did Jesus choose those people?
- 3. What did they have to leave to follow him?

Memory Verse

"Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." (Luke 5:10 NIV)

Colouring sheets

See end for examples

Ideas For Older Children

Discussion

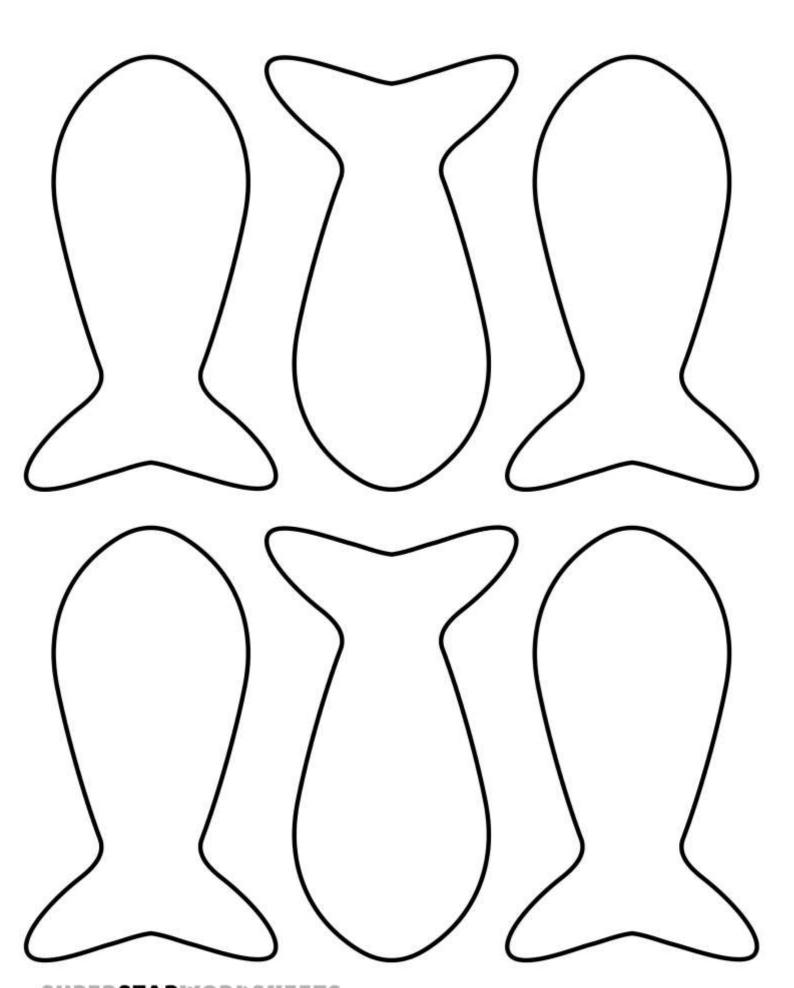
- 1. Why did Peter say: "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!"
- 2. What does Jesus mean by 'fishers of men?'
- 3. What was special about the people Jesus chose?

- 4. What did it cost them? (...and yet they were willing!!)
- 5. God is calling us all to be fishers of people!

Memory Verse

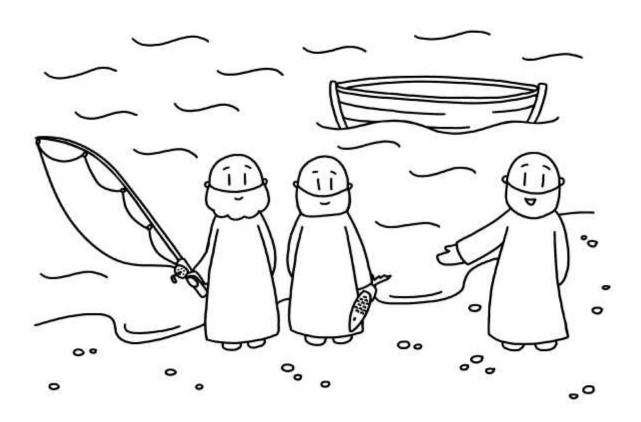
"Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." ¹¹ So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him." (Luke 5:10-11)

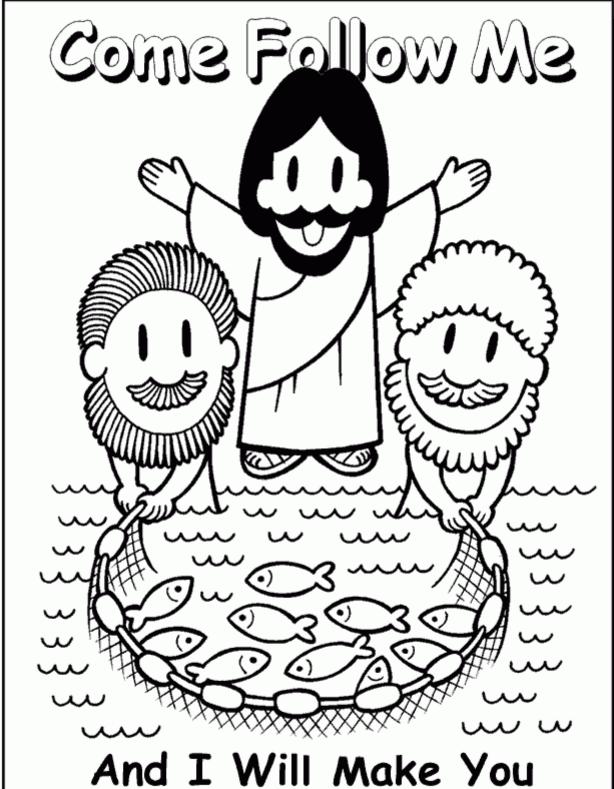
Write down the names of people that you want to pray for, to come to know Jesus. Put it in a place you will see regularly, like your bedroom door or in your bible. Pray for them when you see it and take opportunities to tell them about Jesus or a bible story. Be fishers of People!



"But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15) Jesus

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And I Will Make You Fishers Of Men Matt 4:18-20

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