

OUR PART IN THE STORY:

Daily devotions on Sunday's Narrative Lectionary text

Fish for People

Luke 5:1-11

SHARE your highs and lows for the day.

READ *Sunday's entire text each day to learn the story deeply. This reading builds excitement at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, and is just perfect for readers' theater or other types of corporate reading.*

- ❖ Invite pre-readers to make up actions for the words boat, nets, and Simon. Encourage active listening by having them make those signs when they hear the words.
- ❖ Discuss similarities and differences between types of fishing- fishing with nets, with rods, or with spears; fishing from a dock or a boat; even ice fishing! What other types of fishing can you think of?

TALK *about what you just read, and relate it to your highs and lows. The questions and prompts below are intended to spark discussion and action. Use one each day or several at one sitting.*

- ❖ After Jesus got run out of Galilee, he taught and healed in neighboring towns. He was so popular he had to teach the crowds from a boat out on a lake. Do you know any extremely popular public figures? What makes them so popular?
- ❖ Why did Jesus perform the miracle of filling the nets with fish? What impact did it have on the fishermen?
- ❖ This story moves from a teaching, to a miracle, to a calling of disciples. How does God work to call you into ministry?

PRAY *for your family and friends, for the opportunity to witness miracles, for your highs and lows, and for ears to hear God's call.*

BLESS *each other by making the sign of the cross on each other's forehead and saying, "God is calling you; Now follow."*

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Read a different text each day, and consider how it relates to Sunday's lesson and to your daily experiences.

MONDAY: Jesus Appears to Seven Disciples

John 21:1-14

- ❖ This is an account of Jesus appearing to his disciples after his resurrection. How is it similar to and different from Sunday's text?

TUESDAY: Followers of Jesus

Mark 8:31-38

- ❖ What does it take to be a follower of Jesus?

WEDNESDAY: Jesus Cleanses a Leper

Luke 5:12-16

- ❖ Why do you think Jesus chose to heal the man?

THURSDAY: Jesus Heals a Paralytic

Luke 5:17-26

- ❖ Why do you think the man's friends were so persistent in getting him to Jesus? Do you have friends who would go to such lengths for you?

FRIDAY: Jesus Calls Levi

Luke 5:27-32

- ❖ Who would Jesus have dinner with today?

SATURDAY: The Question About Fasting

Luke 5:33-39

- ❖ What does this parable mean to you?