LESSONS FROM A FISHERMAN

LUKE 5:1-11

We learn from Simon that...

• <u>SUBMISSION</u> to the word of God is <u>CRITICAL</u>, even when we think we <u>KNOW</u> better (w 1-7)

 We are to <u>HUMBLE</u> ourselves before the <u>HOLINESS</u> of God

• We can **TRUST** God, and should **PRIORITIZE SERVICE** to Him above all else (w 10b-11)

FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

- 1. Why does Jesus ask Simon to take him out on the water rather than doing it on his own? How does this make you think about service to the Kingdom? 1 Corinthians 12:12–27.
- 2. Simon had reasons to doubt Jesus' command. Have you ever felt like Biblical wisdom did not apply to your circumstances? Discuss times where you tried to do things your own way before being guided back to God's way. Proverbs 14:12.
- 3. In what ways do you need God to help your unbelief? Where do you struggle to trust that Jesus has genuine authority? What promises of God do you struggle to believe? Mark 9:23-25; John 6:37; Matthew 11:28, 28:18-20.
- 4. Why does Jesus' miracle bring Simon to his knees? What should our response be before God's holiness? How can we view God's holiness rightly? Luke 2:9; Revelation 1:17; Isaiah 6:5; Leviticus 10:1-4; 2 Samuel 6:1-7.
- 5. How do we see the Gospel in the exchange between Jesus and Simon in Luke 5:8-11? Think of Simon's sinful state and Jesus' calling to him in that state.
- 6. How do the consistent words of God and angels to "fear not" bring you comfort? Luke 2:10; Revelation 1:17; Luke 5:10.
- 7. Where do you plan to let down your net? Who can you invite to church as we move to two services?
- 8. Consider Luke 5:11 and 1 Corinthians 10:31. How can you follow Jesus more closely in your daily life this next week? What changes can you make to bring more glory to God in your life?



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— C.S. Lewis, The Last Battle