

CALLED BY GOD

Luke 5.1-11 // May 24, 2026

DOG VS. CAT THEOLOGY

Jesus performs a sign of His power and deity by causing an enormous and inexplicable catch of fish. Peter's response is not one of saying, "do it again!" or, "He must think I'm special that He did that for me!," but rather it opened Peter's eyes to see his unworthiness, acknowledging that he was in the presence of holiness and power.

Luke 18.9-14

God's blessing in our life is not some evidence that we are so good or so lovely above others. God shows grace to those who are unworthy, and seeing that grace *should* produce in us an awe and wonder and humbling gratitude, not a pat on the back or disdain for others around us.

FISHERS OF MEN

Peter isn't *wrong* in what he said about himself, and yet Jesus does *not* depart from Peter, despite Peter's sinfulness. Instead, He gives him a new calling, a new purpose, and draw Peter to Himself.

**Peter goes from catching fish from life to death,
to catching men from death to life.**

1 Corinthians 1.26-31

EQUIPPING THE CALLED

God proves His power and glory and wonder by showing that even in His "weakness" (pinned to a cross), He is stronger than death. He resists temptation not in a garden full of available fruit, but amidst starvation. And He rescues sinners from death not just by snapping His powerful fingers, but by employing weak sinners to do His work of spreading the Good News.

If our goal is for us to be glorified and put on display, yes, we have reason to pause and doubt that you have what it takes. But if our goal is for God to be glorified through us, even through our own weakness, then we have all the reason in the world to say, "Yes, Lord, I will go for you!"

**God does not call the equipped;
He equips the called.**

Jeremiah 1.4-10 // 2 Corinthians 12.7-10
1 Thessalonians 5.23, 24 // Ephesians 2.10

NOTES:

This Week's Call to Worship Psalm:

Psalm 68.4, 5

This Week's Memory Verse:

Philippians 1.21

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Open the evening with the **Call to Worship Psalm** and have someone open the night by *praying* the Psalm.

Read **Luke 5.1-11**. What stands out here or from Sunday's sermon?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

How does the "strategy" of God to use weakness (both His own (the cross and death) as well as ours) give us a huge dose of Good News? How does this change how you move forward in day to day life when you are faced with seemingly impossible challenges and tasks?

Your Life Mission

God has called all of us to be fishers of men. We will all do it differently and with various strategies or ways, but none of us are allowed to opt out of it. What excuses do you usually point to that prevent you from being obedient to this? How does the story in **Luke 5** help you to turn from those excuses and towards obedience?

There are people in your life who are swimming in death and hopelessness apart from Christ, and God has called us to be fishers of those men; to snatch them out of death and bring them to the shores of eternal life. Who in your life has God called you to, and how do you need prayer for your interaction with them?

THE LORD'S P.R.A.Y.er MODEL

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself (Matthew 6.9, 10)

Repent and Confess (Matthew 6.12)

Ask for Provision (Matthew 6.11-13)

Yield with Thanksgiving (Matthew 6.10)

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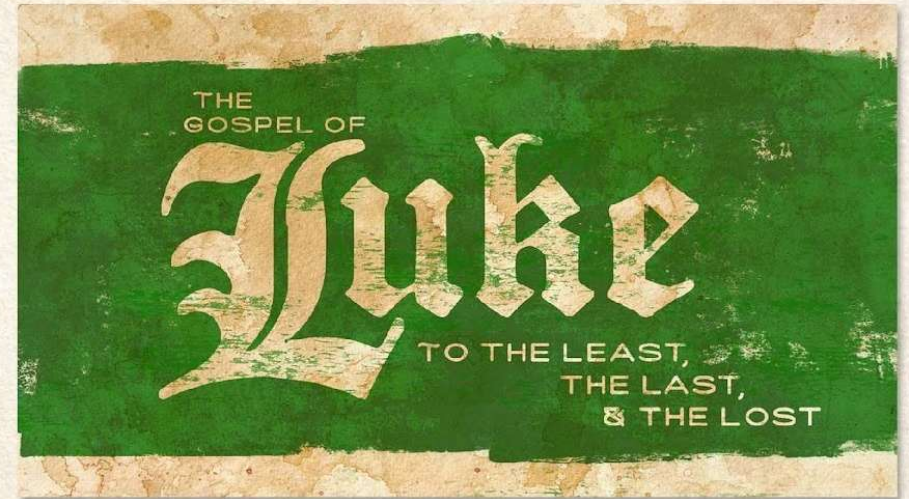
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