Study Guide

Sunday October 3, 2021 "Fishers of Men"

1. → Luke 5:1-11

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat. 4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets." 6 When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink. 8 When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners. 10 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.

2. Points to Remember

- A. Before we grasp God's will we have to be willing to give up our stuff.
- B. The only way we grow is by letting Him take us deeper.
- C. Fisherman catch that for which they did not work.
- D. It is our job to cast the nets, He is the one who fills them.
- E. Jesus not only restores us, but then He restores our purpose in life.
- F. Our true life begins when we give it all to Christ.

3. Bible Verses

Luke 9:62	No one who puts a hand to the plow
1 Corinthians 10:13	No temptation has overtaken you
John 4:38	To reap what you have not worked for
Ephesians 3:20-21	Exceeding abundantly above all that we ask
Ephesians 2:10	For we are God's workmanship
Matthew 16:25	Whoever wants to save their life will lose it

4. Discussion Questions

- A. What did you have to give up in order to follow Jesus?
- B. In what area of your life are the greatest opportunities to witness?
- C. What new paths is the Lord calling you to in this season?