

# Jesus

early ministry

the gospel  
part 4 LUKE

Thad Huff | **LET DOWN THE NETS** | 5.18.2014

## Luke 5:1–11 (NIV84)

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the people crowding around him and listening to the word of God, <sup>2</sup> he saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."

<sup>5</sup> 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."

<sup>6</sup> When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. <sup>7</sup> 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.

<sup>8</sup> When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup> For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, <sup>10</sup> and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will catch men." <sup>11</sup> So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

1. It's all about the \_\_\_\_\_
2. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ supersedes our  
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3. Your choice; \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Passages Today**  
Ephesians 4:11–16





## **GROUP OUTLINE | WEEK OF 5.18.14**

1. Have you ever been fishing? Any crazy fishing stories you could share?
2. Who do you most identify with from Luke 5:1-11? (people on shore, Jesus, Peter, James & John, boat, net, fish...)
3. Is it a challenge for you to see the methods of sharing the message change?
4. What has been one of the more difficult things to surrender to Jesus in your life? What were you an expert of that he was asking you to let go of?
5. What are you still holding onto that you sense Jesus leading you to let go?
6. How are you currently fishing for men?
7. What good thing have you left to follow Jesus?