



DIGGING DEEPER

Luke 5v1-11 Encounters with Christ
The Fishermen!

PLEASE READ – Luke 5v1-11

GETTING STARTED

Talk about / think about the moment you encountered Christ in a very real way...

Was this Simon's first encounter with Jesus? Look back in chapter 4 and discuss...

SETTING THE SCENE (v1-3)

Does the scene in v1-3 surprise you? Why? Why not? See also 4v42-44

1) THE COMMAND (v4-7)

How do you think Simon felt when Jesus gave him the command? (v4)

Why did Simon respond as he did? (v5)

In what ways is Simon an example for us to follow?

Does obedience to Jesus always 'end well' (see v6-7)

2) THE CONVICTION (v8-9)

Talk about Simon's response in v8-9. What's good about the response? Is there anything still missing from Simon's understanding?

Compare Simon's commissioning with that of Isaiah (Isaiah 6v1-8). What are the similarities? What are the differences?

In what ways are these experiences common to all believers?

3) THE CALL (v10-11)

Discuss the change in Simon's job description...

What does it look like for you to 'leave everything' and follow Jesus?

How easy it would have been for that big mountain of fish to distract Simon. What are the things in your life that could hold you back from following Jesus with all of your heart?

It's time to go fishing...

Meditate on the words below...

***Luke 5v10-11:** Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.' So they pulled their boats up on shore, left **everything** and followed him.*