
A Surprising Catch!

Jesus was standing on the shore, teaching the people as they crowded around him to hear God's message. Near the shore he saw two boats left there by some fishermen who had gone to wash their nets. Jesus got into the boat that belonged to Peter and asked him to row it out a little way from the shore. Then Jesus sat down in the boat to teach the crowd.

When Jesus had finished speaking, he told Peter, "Row the boat out into the deep water and let your nets down to catch some fish."

"Master," Peter answered, "we have worked hard all night long and have not caught a thing. But if you tell me to, I will let the nets down." They did it and caught so many fish that their nets began ripping apart. Then they signaled for their partners in the other boat to come and help them. The men came, and together they filled the two boats so full that they both began to sink.

When Peter saw this happen, he knelt down in front of Jesus and said, "Lord, don't come near me! I am a sinner." Peter and everyone with him were completely surprised at all the fish they had caught. His partners James and John were surprised too.

Jesus told Peter, "Don't be afraid! From now on you will bring in people instead of fish." The men pulled their boats up on the shore. Then they left everything and went with Jesus.

Based on Luke 5.1-11

KEY VERSE Luke 5.11

*The men pulled their boats up on the shore.
Then they left everything and went with Jesus.*

Jesus taught God's message.



Jesus climbed into Peter's boat...



so he could teach
the large crowd.



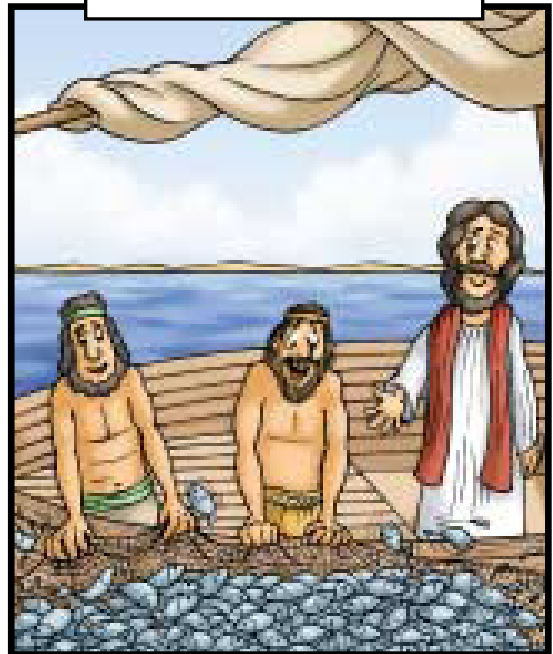
Later, Jesus told Peter to
fish in the deep water.



"We already fished there,
but I'll do what you say."



He caught more fish than
the net could hold.



"I should have believed you."



"From now on, you will help me bring in people."

The fishermen left everything to follow Jesus.

