



Sermon Discussion Questions

May the Word of God SHAPE and MOLD us into the image of Jesus!

CHECK INS: Let's check in quick with each other; how are we doing folks...?!?

12.28.25 - SERMON RECAP:

This Sunday we primed the pump for our starting series preaching through the book of I Peter. We looked at how the gospel transformed Peter from a fisher of fish to truly a fisher of men. In Luke 5, Jesus meets Simon in the middle of ordinary work, deep disappointment, and human limitation. What begins as a fishing lesson becomes a life-altering encounter. Simon the fisherman is invited into a new identity and mission. The gospel does not merely improve Simon's life—it redefines who he is and what his life is for. This same transforming call shapes every follower of Jesus. Let's turn to Luke 5:1-11 together. (As a group, let's take turns reading this scripture together; and then ponder/discuss these questions for our lives.)

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. Jesus steps into Simon's ordinary workday (Luke 5:1–3). Why do you think Jesus often begins transformation in the middle of everyday life rather than extraordinary spiritual moments?
2. Simon obeys Jesus despite exhaustion and past failure (Luke 5:5). What does this teach us about obedience when we feel discouraged, tired, or skeptical? Where might Jesus be inviting you to trust Him again? (Related passages: Proverbs 3:5–6; Hebrews 11:8)
3. The miraculous catch reveals Jesus' power and Simon's sinfulness (Luke 5:8). Why does encountering God's holiness often awaken awareness of our brokenness? How does this moment prepare Simon for transformation? (Related passages: Isaiah 6:1–8; Rom 3:23–24).
4. "From now on you will catch people" (Luke 5:10). How does Jesus transform Simon's existing skills rather than discard them? What abilities or experiences might God want to redeem and redirect in your life? (Related passages: I Peter 4:10; Ephesians 2:10).
5. Simon leaves everything to follow Jesus (Luke 5:11). What does "leaving everything" look like today—not just physically, but emotionally, relationally, or spiritually? (Related passages: Gospel of Luke 9:23–25; Epistle to the Philippians 3:7–9).
6. Simon's name will later be changed to Peter, meaning "rock." Why do you think Jesus renames people? How does a new name speak to a new identity and future shaped by grace rather than past failure? (Related passages: Gospel of Matthew 16:17–18; Book of Revelation 2:17).
7. Peter's transformation is progressive, not instant. How does knowing Peter's later failures and restoration encourage patience in your own discipleship journey?
8. Fishing required patience, teamwork, risk, and perseverance. How do these same qualities shape gospel mission and making disciples today??

How Does ALL THIS Apply to our Values?



Gospel Transformation

Compassionate Engagement



Authentic Relationship

Kingdom Multiplication

