

Acts 29 - The Mission Continues  
*Fishing With Jesus...For People*  
Luke 5:1-11 (page 718)

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Jesus is teaching us that *fishing for people* requires...

- The right "bait" – the Word of God (Luke 5:1-3)
- The right "motivation" – obedient faith (Luke 5:4-7)
- The right "attitude" – humble dependence (Luke 5:8-10)
- The right "priority" – Jesus is more valuable than anything (Luke 5:11)

We are to be "*people fishermen*" on the basis of

- The authority of Jesus (v 3-4; Matthew 28:18-20; Philippians 2:9-11)
- The power of Jesus (vs 6-9; Colossians 2:9-10; Acts 1:8)
- The purpose of Jesus (v 10; John 15:8,16; 17:18)

**Reaching deeper...**

What is it that keeps me from following Jesus to reach others?

What can I begin to do more faithfully to follow Jesus as He has called me to "catch people"? \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you think the apostles were afraid (v 10) because of the amazing amount of fish they caught or because they understood that Jesus was calling them to reach people?

Discuss. \_\_\_\_\_

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What are the fears that you have in obeying Jesus in this area?

What are those fears based upon? How does the authority, power and purpose of Jesus help give you courage to obey Him? Or does it? \_\_\_\_\_

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Identify the opposite characteristics of the four "requirements" listed above to reach people. Where would you list yourself in those contrasting characteristics? Are you satisfied with your assessment? What can you begin to change this week?

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