

# A Catch of Fish and Men

*He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.—Jim Elliot*

## Sermon Questions

1. List at least two things that make God's word so special?

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2. Jesus met Peter for the first time on the shore when he called him to follow. (Yes/No)

3. Circle the other names for the Sea of Galilee:

Lake Gennesaret    Salt Sea    Sea of Chinnereth    Lake Tiberius    Sea of Capernaum

4. Peter was tired, had already come back empty, and it was now it was \_\_\_\_\_. This wasn't a good time for fishing... (He was the professional after all.)

5. What is the best explanation for Peter's response to Jesus' miracle?

- i. He was sorry for his sin in begrudgingly obeying Jesus' command to let down the nets.
- ii. He was afraid of Jesus' power and what he might do to him.
- iii. He was undone in seeing the glory of Christ.

6. Who is the King that Isaiah saw (recorded in Isaiah 6)? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Rather than depart from Peter, Jesus calls Peter to \_\_\_\_\_.

8. Jesus doesn't need Peter, but he uses Peter's boat, Peter's nets, and Peter's \_\_\_\_\_.

9. In John 21 Jesus did the same miracle again to show that it was him. (Yes/No)

10. How should you respond to this passage about Jesus and the disciples?

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## Discussion/Meditation Questions

1. Why could it be that the miracle of the great catch of fish would be so impactful for Peter considering he had already witnessed other miracles of Jesus (healing and casting out demons)?

2. Does following Jesus always include the task of calling others to follow him? Or was this call to “catch men” only for the apostles or other leaders of the faith? Can you support your answer with Scripture?

3. How does the glory of the Lord cause us to see our sin before a holy God and cause us to go to him for mercy?

4. Read Isaiah 6. Notice that Isaiah saw the Lord’s glory, was commissioned into his service, and told that his ministry would fall on deaf ears and hard hearts. Where does his motivation come from then? And what does that mean for our motivation when it seems that things are bleak in our day?