

Teaching Outline

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“God’s Call to Action”

Luke 5:1-11

¹ One day as Jesus was preaching on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, great crowds pressed in on him to listen to the word of God. ² He noticed two empty boats at the water’s edge, for the fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. ³ Stepping into one of the boats, Jesus asked Simon, its owner, to push it out into the water. So he sat in the boat and taught the crowds from there.

Favor # 1: Jesus started with a _____ favor.

⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Now go out where it is deeper, and let down your nets to catch some fish.” ⁵ “Master,” Simon replied, “we worked hard all last night and didn’t catch a thing. But if you say so, I’ll let the nets down again.” ⁶ And this time their nets were so full of fish they began to tear! ⁷ A shout for help brought their partners in the other boat, and soon both boats were filled with fish and on the verge of sinking.

Favor # 2: Jesus _____ it _____ .

Am I willing to say “ _____ ” to God even when it _____ make sense to me?

⁸ When Simon Peter realized what had happened, he fell to his knees before Jesus and said, “Oh, Lord, please leave me—I’m too much of a sinner to be around you.” ⁹ For he was awestruck by the number of fish they had caught, as were the others with him. ¹⁰ His partners, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, were also amazed.

The implications of “yes” ...

Hard _____ but also a huge _____ .

Dealing with the _____ can be a bit frightening.

God is inviting us to something _____ than ourselves!

When we see God’s awesome _____ we realize our _____ condition.

^{10b} Jesus replied to Simon, “Don’t be afraid! From now on you’ll be fishing for people!” ¹¹ And as soon as they landed, they left everything and followed Jesus.

Favor # 3: Jesus makes a _____ !

Being part of God’s call to action means that our _____ will look different than our _____ !

Where is my “ _____ ” taking me?