



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

Jesus Calls Disciples to Follow Him

Take Home Point:

Faith is trusting Jesus as God's Son, our Savior.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: Show me your trick bag and how it works. (*Kids made a bag with a false bottom. The bag looks empty but has fish underneath that spill out when the bag is tipped.*) How does this remind you of today's Bible event? (*Jesus told Peter to let his net down and he caught many fish. Jesus called Peter and his friends to now be fishers of men.*)

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Say to each person: "Tell about a time someone asked you to join a team and you were excited to do so. This might have been a sports team, or a business team, a social club or even an invitation to join some people attempting a special challenge."

Afterward, ask the kids what they learned at Kingdom Quest about the early Christians who used the sign of the fish to show that they followed Jesus. The letters for the Greek word for fish, ichthus (pron. ICK-thoos) can also stand for the words Jesus, God's Son, Savior. Do you think it would be an exciting challenge to follow Jesus? Why?

READ THE BIBLE: Luke 5:1-11. Jesus' miraculous catch of fish.

KEY VERSE: Romans 3:22. *"Everyone who believes has God's approval through faith in Jesus Christ."*

TALK ABOUT IT: What did Jesus tell Simon Peter to do? (*Luke 5:4. "Take the boat into deep water, and lower your nets to catch some fish."*) How did Peter respond to Jesus? (*Luke 5:5. He said that they had worked hard all night and had caught nothing, but he would do so since Jesus said to do so.*) What happened when Peter obeyed Jesus? (*Luke 5:6-7. They caught so many fish that the nets began to tear and both boats were so full they nearly sank.*) What did Jesus tell Peter he would now catch? (*Luke 5:10. Peter would now catch people instead of fish.*) What did Simon Peter and his partners do next? (*Luke 5:11. They left everything and followed Jesus.*) Why do you think that now Peter's partners also followed Jesus? How did Peter show faith? (*He did what Jesus told him to do even though it did not make sense to him.*)

Does God ever ask us to do things for him that don't make sense? What do you think might have happened if Peter had not gone back out to the deep water and let down his net? Do you think Jesus might have been testing Peter? Because Peter was faithful, Jesus gave him greater responsibility; to now catch people for Jesus. How does Jesus sometimes test us? What do you have faith in God about? What will you do about it?

PRAYER POWER: Thank God for the call to be fishers of men because Jesus has caught us. Pray for individuals each family member can witness to.

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Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

Make a family craft using the fish symbol, the ichthus. For example, on a piece of cardboard draw a fish symbol using white glue. Then with glue, write each person's name inside it. Let dry and afterwards, spray paint. Hang your fish symbol by the door.

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