

Follow Me — and I Will Make You Fishers

(A Journey Through the Gospel of Luke)

“From Now On”

Luke 5:1-11

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Big Idea: Jesus defines discipleship from the beginning as a life meant to reach others.

Disciple-Making Focus: Availability before Ability

I. Before “From Now On”: Jesus Steps into the _____
(vv. 1-3)

“Jesus got into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, and asked him to put out a little from the land.” (Luke 5:3)

Key Truth:

Jesus doesn’t begin with readiness — He begins with availability.

II. The Turning Point: Obedience _____ the Door (vv. 4-7)

“But at Your word I will let down the nets.” (Luke 5:5)

Key Truth:

Obedience creates space for God to work before we understand how.

III. After “From Now On”: Encounter Leads to _____
(vv. 8-11)

“Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.” (Luke 5:10)

“Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” (Matthew 4:19)

Key Truth:

Encounter with Jesus always leads to participation in His mission.

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Small Group Questions — Week 1

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Start Here — Reflective Question

Where might Jesus be asking for access to your life before asking for change?

(Give space. Silence is okay here.)

Read the Passage

Have someone read **Luke 5:1–11** aloud before discussion.

Discussion Questions

1. What stands out to you most about how Jesus initiates the relationship with Peter in this passage?

(Not what Peter does—what Jesus does.)

2. Peter obeys Jesus even when it contradicts his experience. What do you think made that obedience possible in that moment?

3. Why do you think Peter’s response to the miracle is humility rather than celebration?

What does that reveal about encountering Jesus?

4. Jesus says, “From now on you will be catching people.” What do you think changed for Peter in that moment—internally, not just externally?

5. How does the phrase “availability before ability” challenge how we normally think about following Jesus?

Close Together

Ask God to help you recognize where He may be stepping into the ordinary parts of your life—and to give you grace to respond with availability.

Your voice matters. We’d love to hear what God is showing you through these questions. Please share your thoughts by emailing us at info@thegateoc.com — your insights will help shape the renewal and restoration of The Gate.