

***Follow Me — and I Will Make You Fishers***

(A Journey Through the Gospel of Luke)

“Faith That Is Caught”

Luke 7-8

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**Big Idea:** Faith spreads when people encounter the power and grace of Jesus through the lives of others.

**Disciple-Making Focus:** Transformed lives become contagious witnesses.

**I. The Centurion’s Faith – Trusting Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_ (7:1-10)**

*“Just say the word, and my servant will be healed.” (Luke 7:7)*

*“I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith.” (Luke 7:9)*

**II. The Sinful Woman’s Faith – Receiving Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_ (7:36-50)**

*“Her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much.” (Luke 7:47)*

*“Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.” (Luke 7:50)*

**III. The Demoniac’s Faith – Proclaiming Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_ (8:26-39)**

*“They found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind.” (Luke 8:35)*

*“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” (Luke 8:39)*

**Key Truth:**

Faith multiplies when transformed lives tell what Jesus has done.

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## Small Group Questions — Week 6

**Series:** Follow Me — and I Will Make You Fishers

**Week 6 Title:** Faith That Is Caught

**Text:** Luke 7-8

### Start Here — Reflective Question

Who is someone in your life whose faith has impacted you personally?

What was it about their life that stood out to you?

*(Allow a few moments for people to share briefly.)*

### Read the Passage

Have someone read one or more of the following sections aloud before discussion:

Luke 7:1–10 (The Centurion)

Luke 7:36–50 (The Sinful Woman)

Luke 8:26–39 (The Demoniac)

### Discussion Questions

1. In Luke 7:1–10, the centurion trusts that Jesus can heal with just a word.

What stands out to you about his understanding of Jesus' authority?

How does his faith challenge the way we typically pray or trust God?

2. The centurion demonstrates both humility and confidence at the same time.

Why are those two qualities important in a growing faith?

Which one do you tend to struggle with more?

3. In Luke 7:36–50, the sinful woman responds to Jesus with deep love and boldness.

Why do you think her awareness of forgiveness led to such a strong expression of love?

What can keep people from experiencing or expressing that same kind of love today?

4. Simon the Pharisee and the woman are in the same room with Jesus but respond very differently.

What do their responses reveal about their hearts?

Where do you see yourself in this story?

5. In Luke 8:26–39, the demon-possessed man is completely transformed by Jesus.

What does his story show us about the power of Jesus to change a life?

Why do you think Jesus tells him to go home and tell others instead of traveling with Him?

6. The man goes and tells his city what Jesus has done for him.

Why is personal testimony such a powerful way that faith spreads?

What makes sharing your story feel easy—or difficult?

### Disciple-Making Connection

The sermon emphasized: **Transformed lives become contagious witnesses.**

Where have you seen God at work in your life recently?

Who is one person you could share that with this week?

What is one simple step you can take to be more open about your faith in everyday life?

### Close Together

Pray that God would deepen your trust in His authority, your awareness of His grace, and your boldness to share what He has done in your life.

Ask Him to make your life a reflection of His power and grace so that others may come to know Him through you.