

# TOO MANY FISH

LUKE 5



## STOP AND READ

Jesus grew up. He began to preach and teach. One day He sat in Peter's boat and taught the people sitting on the beach.

Then Jesus said, "Peter, let's go fishing. Take the boat out to deeper water. Let down your nets to catch some fish."

"We fished all night and didn't catch one fish," Peter said. "But if You say so, OK. I will do it."

Peter rowed the boat out to deeper water. He threw the heavy nets into the water. Down, down they went. Suddenly . . .

**Swish! Swoosh!** Flopping, plopping fish filled Peter's nets. **Splish! Splash!** "Help!" Peter yelled. "I've caught too many fish! The boat is going to sink!"

James and John rowed out to help. The fish filled up their boat too!

Where had this great catch of fish come from? Peter and the others looked at Jesus.

"Don't be afraid," Jesus said. "From now on you will be fishing for people." The men left everything behind and followed Jesus.

## THINK AND TALK

Jesus can do anything! He can make fish fill the water for fishermen's nets. And just as the fishermen caught a lot of fish, Jesus wants us to "catch" a lot of people by helping them know, love, and follow Him every day. If we follow Jesus, He will help us do just that!

- Have you ever gone fishing? Did you use a fishing pole or a net?
- Have you ever told anyone "Jesus loves you"? Who is someone you could tell today?

DEAR GOD, I WANT TO FOLLOW  
JESUS AND FISH FOR PEOPLE  
SO THEY CAN LOVE AND  
FOLLOW HIM TOO! AMEN.

## GREEN MEANS GO!

Make paper footprints, right and left, by tracing around a grown-up's shoes. You can use colored paper and a crayon to trace the footprints; then cut them out. Make a footprint trail around the house and follow it. Jesus wants us to follow Him!



### REMEMBER

Jesus leads us.

Follow in his steps.  
-1 PETER 2:21 NLT

