

## Peter Worshiped Jesus (Luke 5)



Dear families,

The Gospels record dozens of descriptions of the works that Jesus did. We learn about how He served, saved, and showed His power in miraculous ways for the sake of revealing His divine authority to His disciples and others.

Yet even with all the astounding works of Jesus that are described through Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, the Gospels still don't contain the whole of all that Jesus did. In fact, John concludes his Gospel by declaring, "And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which, if every one of them were written down, I suppose not even the world itself could contain the books that would be written" (John 21:25).

However, in several moments throughout the Gospels, we find Jesus' works stacked on top of one another in such a way that we can see the magnitude of His miraculous works and powerful teachings. One of those chapters is Luke 5. In just 39 verses, we see how Jesus provided, healed, forgave, called, and taught. This account ought to stir our hearts toward a deeper love and worship of Jesus.

When reading a chapter like Luke 5, two types of questions may come to mind. First, when you think about Jesus, what do you believe about what He has done and how He continues to work? Do you find yourself only convinced of what you have experienced Him doing in your own life?

Do you limit yourself to believing only what you can imagine is possible? Or do you trust with confidence all that the Bible describes of Jesus' works?

Second, does reading about these works of Jesus cause your heart to swell with worship? Do you respond to reading these accounts or seeing Jesus' work with mild acknowledgement or with grand astonishment that leads your heart to love and worship Jesus more?

What is it that causes your heart to be drawn to God? What is it that causes you to worship? The discovery of the amazing works of Jesus ought to lead us to the answers for these questions. And if it does not, spend time praying and asking God to change your perspective, soften your heart, and draw you to Himself.

Check out *The Gospel Project At Home* for resources designed to help you lead a family worship experience as well as suggestions for morning and evening prayer times and family activities.

## **FAMILY TALKING POINTS**

### **CHRIST CONNECTION**

*This is the big idea of how this week's Bible story points to Jesus.*

- **Babies & Toddlers:** Jesus invites us to follow Him. He shows grace and kindness to those who trust in Him.
- **Younger Preschool:** Jesus invites us to follow Him. He shows grace and kindness to sinners who trust in Him.
- **Older Preschool:** Peter realized that he was a sinner and that Jesus is God. He saw Jesus' kindness and followed Him. Jesus invites us to follow Him too. He shows grace and kindness to sinners who trust in Him.
- **Kids:** Peter understood that he was a sinner and recognized that Jesus is God. He responded to Jesus' grace and kindness by following Him. When we understand that Jesus is God and that we are sinners, we can turn to Him for forgiveness and follow Him by faith.

### **BIG PICTURE QUESTION & ANSWER**

*This is an important biblical truth that your child will encounter each week of this unit.*

- **Younger Preschool:** How can we be saved? We are only saved by trusting in Jesus.
- **Older Preschool:** How can we be saved? We are only saved by trusting in Jesus.
- **Kids:** How can we be saved? We are only saved through faith in Jesus.

### **KEY PASSAGE**

*This is a Bible verse that relates to what your child will encounter each week of this unit.*

- **Babies & Toddlers:** Believe in God. Hebrews 11:6

- **Younger Preschool:** Believe in God. Hebrews 11:6
- **Older Preschool:** Without faith it is impossible to please God. Hebrews 11:6
- **Kids:** Now without faith it is impossible to please God, since the one who draws near to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. Hebrews 11:6

\*\* **Next week:** We Are Saved by Faith in Jesus (Hebrews 11)