

# ROGUE MESSIAH

Getting to Know Jesus & Love Him

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## Jesus Goes Fishing

Luke 5:1-11

**Introduction:** Have you ever read a story in the Bible and you could INSTANTLY identify with one of the characters in the story?

### What did Simon learn about Jesus?

- “Jesus came LOOKING for ME.” (5:3-4)
  
- “Jesus already knows WHO I AM.” (5:8, 4:38-40)
  
- “Jesus wants me to JOIN Him on His MISSION.” (5:10)

**Conclusion:** Though Simon failed Jesus many more times after this, he learned to never push Jesus away ever again. How about you? Are you pushing Jesus away? Jesus will never stop coming after you!

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# LIFE GROUPS



Debrief Plan: 2/16/2020

#### Icebreakers:

1. Have you ever gone fishing? If so, what's the biggest fish you've ever caught?
2. Do you relax when you're alone in the quiet (say, sitting on shore trying to catch a fish), or do you dislike spending time alone with no one to talk to?

Sermon Summary: When you are confronted with your own sinfulness, it's easy to push Jesus away out of shame. Simon teaches us to never do that, because Jesus already knows all about our sin and comes looking for us to invite us to join Him in relationship and on mission anyway.

#### Discussion Questions:

1. Can you remember identifying closely with a biblical character in one of the Bible stories? If so, who was it and why did you identify with them?
2. When Simon saw Jesus for who he really was, his first instinct was to be afraid and push Jesus away. Do you think this is typical of most people? Why?

#### \*Jesus Came Looking for Me

3. Can you point to any parts of your story of getting to know Jesus when it was clear to you that HE was the one looking for YOU? Tell your group about it!
4. Is it hard for you to believe that Jesus just WANTS to know you and WANTS you to know Him? If so, what makes it hard to believe?

#### \*Jesus Already Knows Who I Am

5. Why isn't Simon's sinfulness more of a problem for Jesus?
6. If being sinful doesn't disqualify you from following Jesus, what DOES disqualify you? What does Jesus seem to want from Simon most of all?

#### \*Jesus Wants Me to Join Him on His Mission

7. What responsibilities has Jesus entrusted you with that you often struggle to believe that you deserve to have? Does it make a difference to you that Jesus gave it to you INTENTIONALLY, because He trusts you with it?
8. Why do you think that Jesus wanted to pursue His Father's mission WITH all of these flawed humans? Why not just do it alone?
9. Jesus invited Simon into a day-by-day, moment-by-moment relationship, and he does the same with us. What practices do you embrace to help you make that relationship more fresh and personal?
10. Read John 21:1-19 together. How does this passage link up with the passage from this morning? Do you think Simon (Peter) finally learned his lesson?