



GOD'S PLAN IS BEST

*Peter is Chosen - Luke 5:1-11
for Sunday, January 17, 2021*

INTRODUCTION (words written in bold italic are intended to be said out loud)

Have you ever gone fishing before or seen someone else fishing? For a man named Peter, that was his whole job. Let's read about when Jesus meets Peter while fishing.

Pray as a family for God to bless your time before you open God's Word.

BIBLE EXPLORATION Supplies: Bible

Read today's passages together Luke 5:1–11 and discuss the following questions

- ***What did Jesus ask Peter to do?*** Luke 5:4
- ***What was so amazing about their catch of fish?*** Luke 5:6–7
- ***How did Jesus invite Peter into God's plan?*** Luke 5:10b–11

Jesus calls us to more amazing lives than we could ever dream for ourselves. Because of God's great love and mercy, we have been invited into His plans—the best plans. Share a personal story of when you knew God's plan is best. And close your time in prayer thanking the Lord for His plans.

MEMORY VERSE

"And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:19

RESPONSE ACTIVITY

After listening to Jesus, Peter witnessed firsthand that God's Plan is Best! Much of Peter's life was spent as a fisherman. Let's try catching some fish ourselves! Make several paper cutouts of fish. Give everyone a straw as their "fishing rod" and a small bowl for their "net." Using the straws, suction up each fish and place as many in your bowl as possible. Give yourselves a time limit of 30 seconds to make it more challenging!

BLESSING Read these words over your family as a blessing:

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people" (Mark 1:17).

May you have Jesus with you to lead you all the time. May you follow Jesus today, tomorrow, and always.