

LUKE 5

Read either before your small group or all together at the start.

- 1. In the v. 1-11 we have a story of an interaction between Jesus and the disciples. He miraculously provides for them a catch of fish. What did you think of Peter's reaction to Jesus in v. 8? Why do you think that was his response?
- 2. Twice in this chapter it talks about leaving everything to follow Jesus. Once in v. 11 and once in v. 28. What do think it means that they left everything to follow Jesus? What do you think that means for us?
- 3. There's something powerful in Jesus' cleansing of the leper in v. 12-16 because it was more than just a physical healing. What stood out to you from this story? In the Sunday Connection Alex talked about this cleansing as Jesus removing the shame, guilt and brokenness of the man. In the devotion, Chrissy pointed out the destructive nature of sin and how Jesus' cleansing restores us in relationships. Which of these ideas resonated with you most? Why?
- 4. In the story of the paralysed man, Alex helped us to see that Jesus forgave the man's sins first because that was his greatest need. And yet, the people worshipped God because he healed the man. Do you have a tendency to be more thankful for the ways God physically is present in your life rather than for his forgiveness of your sins? Do you think having a skewed emphasis in this area might affect the way you live out your faith? Why/why not?
- 5. Levi's response to following Jesus was to invite everyone he knew to come along to a party where they could meet Jesus. What would that look like in our lives to respond the way Levi did to following Jesus? What would your party look like?
- 6. In the parables at the end of chapter 5, Jesus compares the good news he brings as totally life-changing in the sense that he does not just want a piece of your life. How do you think we tend to compartmentalize our faith to just try to fit it in with the rest of our lives? How do you think Jesus might want to change your life rather than be fitted in?