

Main Thing:

Jesus Got Twelve Men to Drop Their Careers When Churches Have Trouble Getting Men to Drop The Remote For an Hour On Sunday

Summary:

Dave's sermon focuses on the story of Peter's encounter with Jesus in Luke 5:1-11. He emphasizes the lessons of blessing following obedience, being available to Jesus, having enthusiasm and sensitivity to sin, and finding purpose in following Jesus. Kibler urges the congregation to seek their own calling and purpose, obey Jesus without waiting for blessings, be

available and enthusiastic in serving Him, and be sensitive to their own sinfulness. Following Jesus leads to a sense of purpose and fulfillment that cannot be found elsewhere.

Ice Breaker:

If you were to be a character in a sitcom, who would you be and why?

Discussion Questions:

1. How does the story of Peter obeying Jesus to cast the nets relate to your experience of obeying God even when it was difficult?

Context: In the sermon, the Pastor talked about Peter's obedience to Jesus despite being tired and discouraged from not catching any fish.

Application Question: Can you share a specific situation in your life where obedience to God was difficult or seemed illogical at first but ultimately led to blessings?

2. What are some ways we can make ourselves more available to Jesus in our daily lives?

Context: The Pastor encouraged the congregation to be available to Jesus both in terms of time and presence.

Application Question: What personal adjustments can you make in your schedule or priorities to enhance your availability for God's purposes?

3. How do you perceive the importance of enthusiasm and sensitivity to sin in your own walk with Jesus?

Context: In the sermon, Pastor Kibler emphasized the importance of being enthusiastic about Jesus' work and being sensitive to one's own sinfulness.

Application Question: How can you cultivate a heart of enthusiasm and humility in your personal relationship with Christ?

4. What do you think your sense of purpose or calling is in following Jesus?

Context: Pastor Kibler spoke about the fulfillment and meaning that comes from pursuing the purpose or calling God has for your life.

Application Question: What steps can you take to discover and follow God's unique calling for you?

5. In Luke 5:1-11, how did Peter's response to the miraculous catch of fish reveal his understanding of Jesus' authority?

Context: After catching the large number of fish, Peter fell at Jesus' feet, acknowledging his own sinfulness and the power of Jesus.

Application Question: How can we develop a deeper understanding of Jesus' authority and respond to His instructions in our lives?

Prayer:

• Ask for prayer requests from the group members.

- Pray for the ability to apply the lessons from Peter's encounter with Jesus in everyday life. Ask God to help us be more obedient, trusting in His promises rather than demanding blessings in advance.
- Seek God's help in being more available and present for Him. Pray for the strength to put ourselves in situations where we can be close to Jesus and open to His instructions.
- Pray for a heightened sensitivity to sin in our lives. Ask for the courage to acknowledge when we fall short and the humility to seek repentance.
- Pray for clarity and drive in discovering our individual callings and purposes in life. Ask