



SERMON GUIDE

THE PROMISE

Luke 5:1-11 | Pastor Tim Porter

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

- Scripture that stands out to you while you read
- Observations you are making about a passage
- Applications that connect the verses to your real life and relationships
- Prayer that invites God to participate in all that you do

Conversation Questions

Getting to Know Me: Can you name a time when someone challenged you to step outside of your comfort zone or do something you never thought you could do? Tell the story.

Note About the Passage: In region of Galilee (and in the ancient world in general), fishermen were generally a rough and tough demographic, not necessarily associated with upstanding character. In this passage, Jesus asked to use Peter's voice so his voice could be amplified off the surface of the water as he taught the people on the shore. Peter shows respect for and obedience to Jesus by calling him master and by casting the nets "on the other side" of the boat, even against his better judgement.

S: Read Luke 5:1-11

S: What verses, phrases, words, or feelings stand out to you as you read this text? Is anything "illuminated," surprising, or jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?

O: Why do you think it is sometimes important that the call of Jesus is paired with miracles?

O: How would you have responded if Jesus suddenly made you capable of accomplishing more than you had ever dreamed? (after much failure to be competent at your own profession or area of expertise).

O: Why do you think it is significant that Peter sees himself as a sinner in the presence of Jesus? How does Jesus respond to Peter's trembling, fear, and his sincere confession? Why do you think it is important that Jesus sought to include people like fishermen as his disciples?

O: What purpose is Jesus calling Peter to? Is it the same or different as Jesus' own purpose stated in Luke 4:43?

A: If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?

A: Take some time to be still and listen for the voice of God. Ask him to reveal your sin – your inability and unworthiness to be part of Jesus' purpose for your life. Ask him to save you and make you worthy.

A: In light of this scripture, what specific purpose do you think God is calling you to? What specific people is he calling you to? What kind of help do you need from God in your purpose?

P: Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.