

Children and family talk for 6th February 2022

Good morning everyone!

Have you ever had something you've been trying to do which you're usually good at, but for some reason, this time nothing is working out quite right and you can't do it?

It might be something like painting a picture or playing a piece of music. You know you have the skills to do it, but this time it just won't go the way you want it to.

It's frustrating and you don't really want any help because you want to do it yourself, and how will what anyone else does be any different to what you have tried? But actually, you really do need help!

Our story today is a bit like that;

Let's look at our bible verses together, from

Luke 5 verses 1 to 11.

Jesus' First Followers (with props)

⁵ One day Jesus was standing beside Lake Galilee. Many people were pressing all around him. They wanted to hear the word of God. ² Jesus saw two boats at the shore of the lake. The fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. ³ Jesus got into one of the boats, the one which belonged to Simon. Jesus asked Simon to push off a little from the land. Then Jesus sat down in the boat and continued to teach the people on the shore.

⁴ When Jesus had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Take the boat into deep water. If you will put your nets in the water, you will catch some fish."

⁵ Simon answered, "Master, we worked hard all night trying to catch fish, but we caught nothing. But you say to put the nets in the water; so I will." ⁶ The fishermen did as Jesus told them. And they caught so many fish that the nets began to break. ⁷ They called to their friends in the other boat to come and help them. The friends came, and both boats were filled so full that they were almost sinking.

⁸⁻⁹ The fishermen were all amazed at the many fish they caught. When Simon Peter saw what had happened, he bowed down before Jesus and said, "Go away from me, Lord. I am a sinful man!" ¹⁰ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, were amazed too. (James and John were Simon's partners.)

Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid. From now on you will be fishermen for men." ¹¹ When the men brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed Jesus.

We're going to be looking closer at this story in our Sundayclub, but before we go out ...

Let's talk to God now;

Lord God,

You are brilliant!

You are always there when we need you, even when we don't realise it.

We're sorry we sometimes forget to ask you, but get tangled up in our own problems.

Help us to remember we can rely on you Lord.

Amen.

Let's finish by saying the grace together:

And now may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ (Hold out your hands as if receiving a present)

The Love of God (Cross your hands over your heart)

And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit (hold hands together)

Be with us all, now and for evermore, Amen. (Bring thumbs together).

Here is a link for the song; I the Lord of Sea and Sky, signed.

<https://youtu.be/YnnycPGJHwo>

Here is the link for the activity sheet from Roots. [activity-sheet-6-february-2022.pdf](#)

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