

OBEYING GOD

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Luke 5 ¹One day as Jesus was preaching on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, great crowds pressed in on him to listen to the word of God. ²He noticed two empty boats at the water's edge, for the fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. ³Stepping into one of the boats, Jesus asked Simon, its owner, to push it out into the water. So he sat in the boat and taught the crowds from there.

⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Now go out where it is deeper, and let down your nets to catch some fish." ⁵"Master," Simon replied, "we worked hard all last night and didn't catch a thing. But if you say so, I'll let the nets down again." ⁶And this time their nets were so full of fish they began to tear! ⁷A shout for help brought their partners in the other boat, and soon both boats were filled with fish and on the verge of sinking.

⁸When Simon Peter realized what had happened, he fell to his knees before Jesus and said, "Oh, Lord, please leave me—I'm such a sinful man." ⁹For he was awestruck by the number of fish they had caught, as were the others with him. ¹⁰His partners, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, were also amazed. Jesus replied to Simon, "Don't be afraid! From now on you'll be fishing for people!" ¹¹And as soon as they landed, they left everything and followed Jesus. **Luke 5:1-11 NLT**

BIG IDEA: Obeying God is the step toward the abundant life you are called to. We will learn about the key elements of Obeying God through Simon's encounter.

God says "Read the Bible" (Joshua 1:8)

God says "Share the Gospel" (Matthew 28:19)

God says "Forgive others" (Matthew 6:14)

- A. _____ with Jesus is the key in obeying God!
- B. Simon was called to a life _____ than himself
- C. Obeying God results in and comes through _____ in a deeper level
- D. Obeying Jesus could _____ at time. And Jesus knows.

"... Jesus said, "this poor widow has given more than all the rest of them. For they have given a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she has." **Luke 21:1-4**

"What can I possibly do?"

"I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."
John 10:10 ESV