

# Jesus says, “Follow Me!”

**SCRIPTURE:** Mark 1:16-20

**MEMORY VERSE:** Jesus said: “Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of men. Mark 1:17

**CHARACTERS:** Jesus, Peter, Andrew, James, John

How many of you like to catch fish? Are any of you fishermen? Well, when Jesus grew up he became a carpenter. He built things out of wood, using his hands. But, he had friends who were fishermen.

The Bible says that one day Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee. It wasn't a great river like the Amazon. It was a lake. As Jesus walked along the shore, he saw two fishermen throwing a net into the lake. These two men were Simon Peter and his brother Andrew.

Jesus called to them and said, “Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of men.” Jesus knew that Simon Peter and Andrew were good at catching fish, but Jesus wanted to teach them how to catch men and women and boys and girls and bring them to Jesus.

The Bible says that Simon Peter and Andrew immediately left their nets and their fishing boats and followed Jesus. They loved Jesus and they wanted to spend time with Him and learn from Him.

Then Jesus walked a little farther along the shore and he saw James and his brother John in a boat preparing their nets. Jesus called to them also saying, “Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of men.” Right away, James and John decided to follow Jesus too!

These four fishermen; Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John, continued to follow Jesus and became His first disciples. They followed Jesus closely and learned from Him. After Jesus went back to Heaven they still fished sometimes just for fun, but their most important job was telling people about Jesus the Savior.

Jesus is still looking for disciples today. He is calling you too! “Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of men!” Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John decided to follow Jesus. I have decided to follow Him too!

**I hope you will love and trust Jesus as your Savior  
and decide to follow Him too!**