

BECOMING FISHERMEN FOR CHRIST

Mark 1:16-20

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It is very common for followers of Christ and for churches to "lose their way" concerning the purposes of the Lord. This passage brings us back to one of the primary purposes He has for His people. This activity has been referred to as "evangelism" or "witnessing" or "sharing our faith." Jesus calls every follower of Christ to a very important purpose.

I. Follow _____!

A. A _____.

B. A _____.

C. A _____.

Rom. 10:9-10

II. Become "Fishers of _____."

A. Similarities to fishing for fish

1. Clear _____.

Luke 19:10

Matt. 28:19-20

2. Clear _____.

Acts 1:8

B. Differences to fishing for fish

1. Greater _____.
People vs. Fish

2. Greater _____.
Voluntary vs. Forced

Rom. 10:10, 13

Matt. 22:37

John 14:6

3. Greater _____.
Eternal vs. Temporal

John 3:16

John 3:36

TEXT

Mark 1:16-20 *ESV*

¹⁶ Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men." ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

My Application:

Journey Group Discussion Questions

1. Share the challenges/ fears that you have had in sharing your faith. Share any successes or opportunities that you have had in sharing your faith.
2. Share the various methods or approaches that have been helpful in your desire to share your faith.
3. Identify as a group at least three people or situations. Begin to pray for Divine appointments to reach out.
4. Study the list in the New Testament that was shared in the message and read together the diversity of opportunities for sharing your faith. Use it as a prayer list looking for Divine appointments.