

QUEST 3: JESUS CALLS THE FISHERMEN (LUKE 5:1-11)

KEY AIMS

- To find out that, just as Jesus called the fishermen to follow him, Jesus calls us too.
- To understand that following Jesus is sometimes costly, but always brings blessing.

What You Need

- + Templates for a fish, jellyfish, crab and lobster
- + Activity leaflets
- + Battery powered tea light
- + *Optional - Treasure Chest and Treasure Scroll*
- + *Optional - Spire of Light*
- + *Optional - Materials for the craft (see next page)*
- + *Optional - equipment for your chosen game*

THEME SONG

Option - play the Guardians of Ancora theme song (mp3 or video) to bring everyone together. The video can be found on the Multimedia links document in the Appendix.

OPENING ACTIVITY

On the following pages you will find templates for a fish, jellyfish, crab, and lobster. Make enough copies so everyone has one of each. (These can be used later for the craft) Before you start your time together, hide the cut outs around the room or house. Invite the participants to hunt for them and bring them back to the meeting place. As they are brought to you, place them all on the table. (If you have a fishing or other kind of netting, you could spread it on the table and place them in the net. Explain that you are going to hear a story about fishermen.

OPENING PRAYER

Thank you Jesus that we have this story about how you called your first followers. Show us what it means for us to follow you.

READ - Luke 5:1-11

Read the passage out loud in a way that is suitable for your family members.

Option - play the Guardians of Ancora video of this story. The video can be found on the Multimedia links document in the Appendix

TALK ABOUT IT

Think about what the fisherman must have thought when they caught so many fish after a night of catching nothing. What do you think they thought about Jesus?

DIG A LITTLE DEEPER

Take time to complete the activity sheets. Talk about the changes in Peter from the beginning to the end of today's story. Why do you think Peter changed? What purpose do you think Jesus had in the miracle of the gigantic catch of fish? How did this miracle help Peter with his next "fishing assignment"? Talk about what Peter left behind to follow Jesus and why he would do that.



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR US?

What did Jesus mean when he asked Peter and the others to follow him? Would we have trusted Jesus as the fishermen did? Encourage them to say how they feel about the idea that Jesus is calling them to follow him too. What does that mean? *Option - Write your comments and thoughts on a Treasure Scroll. Then roll it up and place it in the Treasure Chest.*

PRAY TOGETHER

Turn the tea light on and pass it around to each family member as they pray. Begin by saying 'Thank you Jesus that you understand who we are, each individual person, and you are still calling people to follow you.' As you pass the tea light around, encourage everyone to thank Jesus for something that Jesus said or did in today's story. *Option - after praying you could add the tea light to the Spire of Light.*

CRAFT

Option – "Make a Sea Creature Mobile" - see below

GAME

Option – choose a game from the games in the Appendix

THEME SONG

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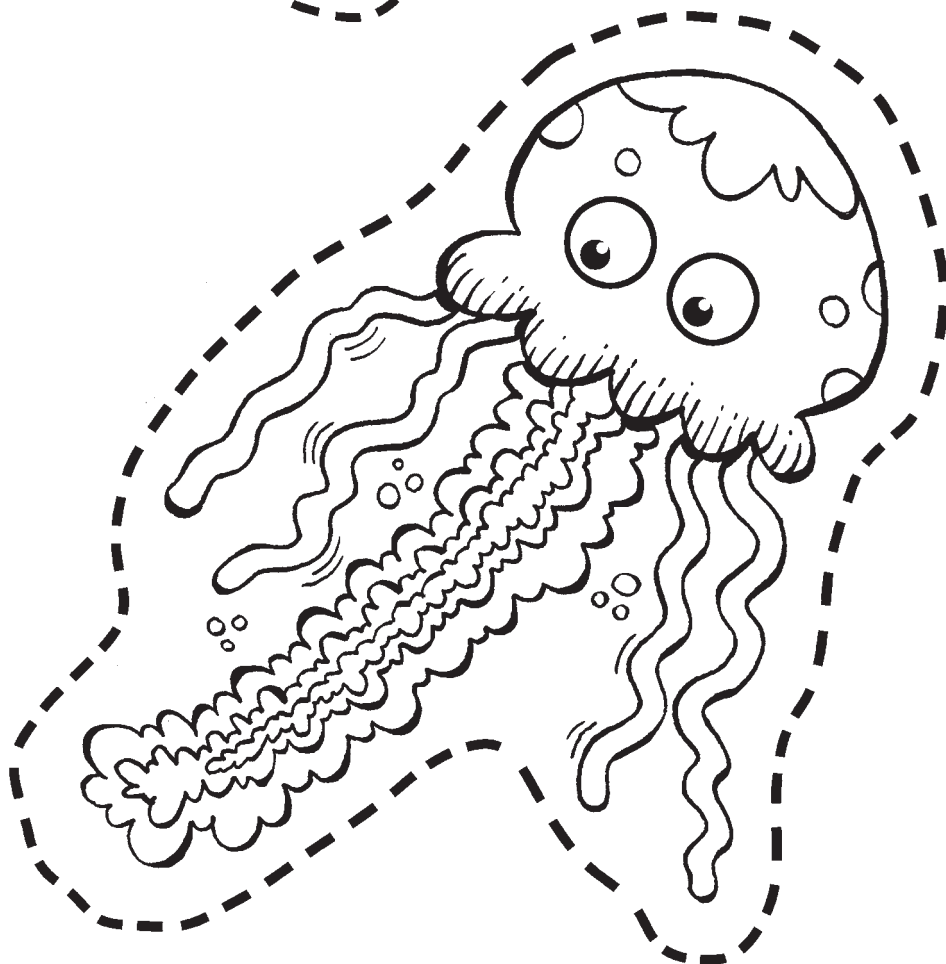
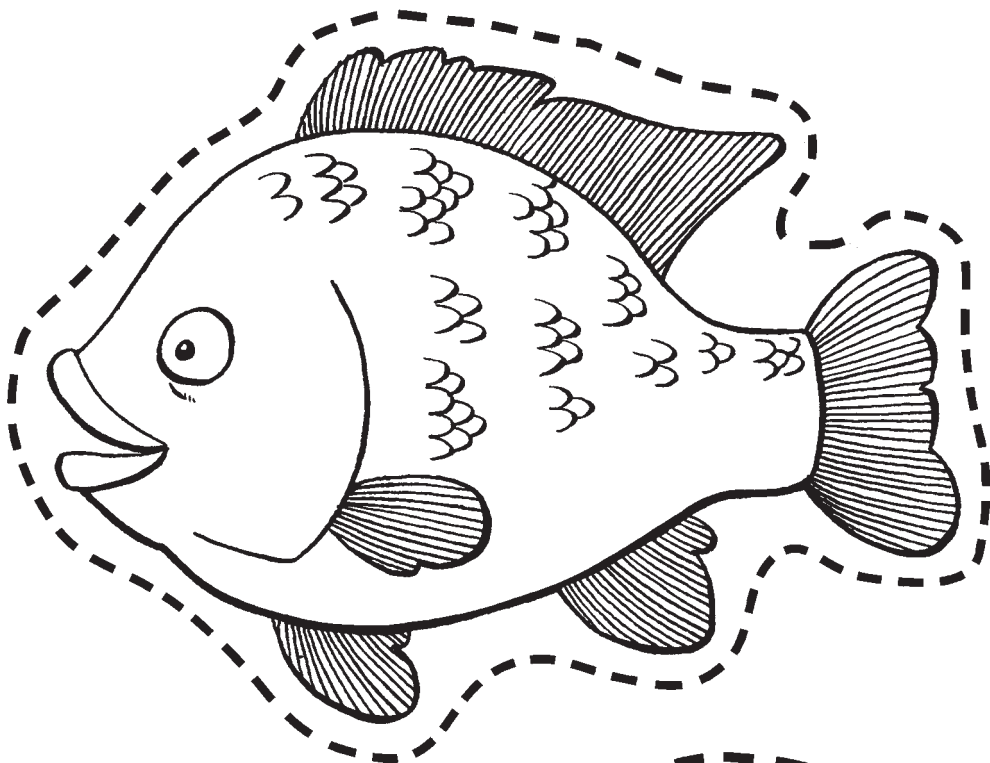
MAKE A SEA CREATURE MOBILE SUPPLIES

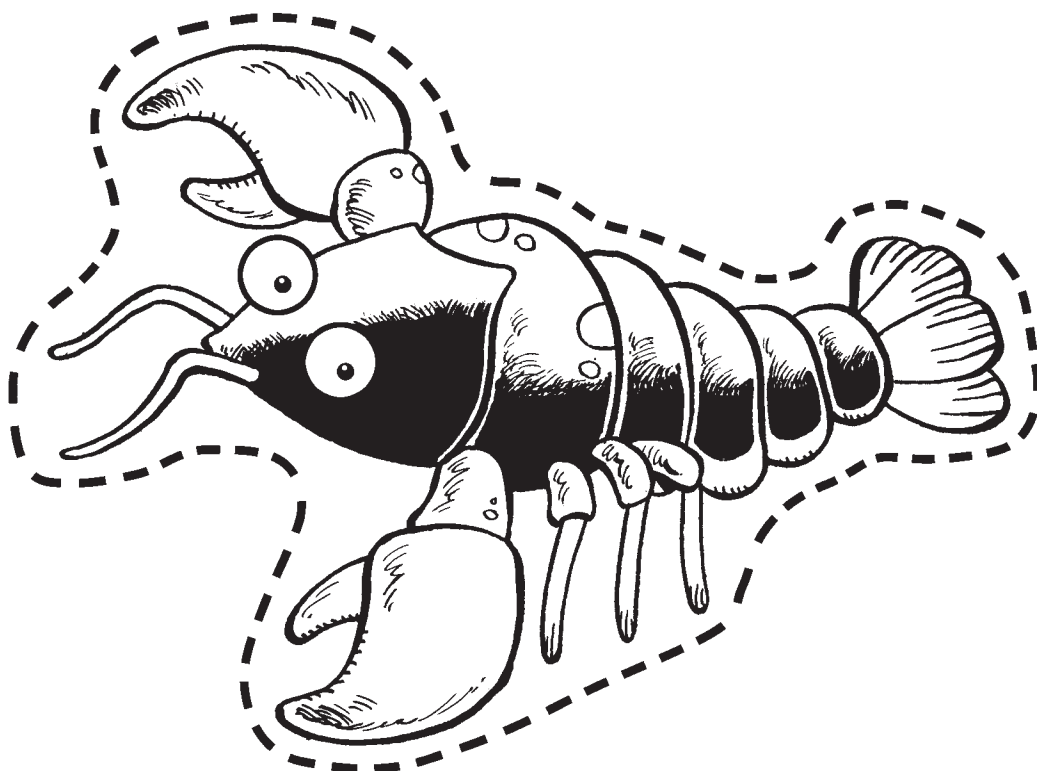
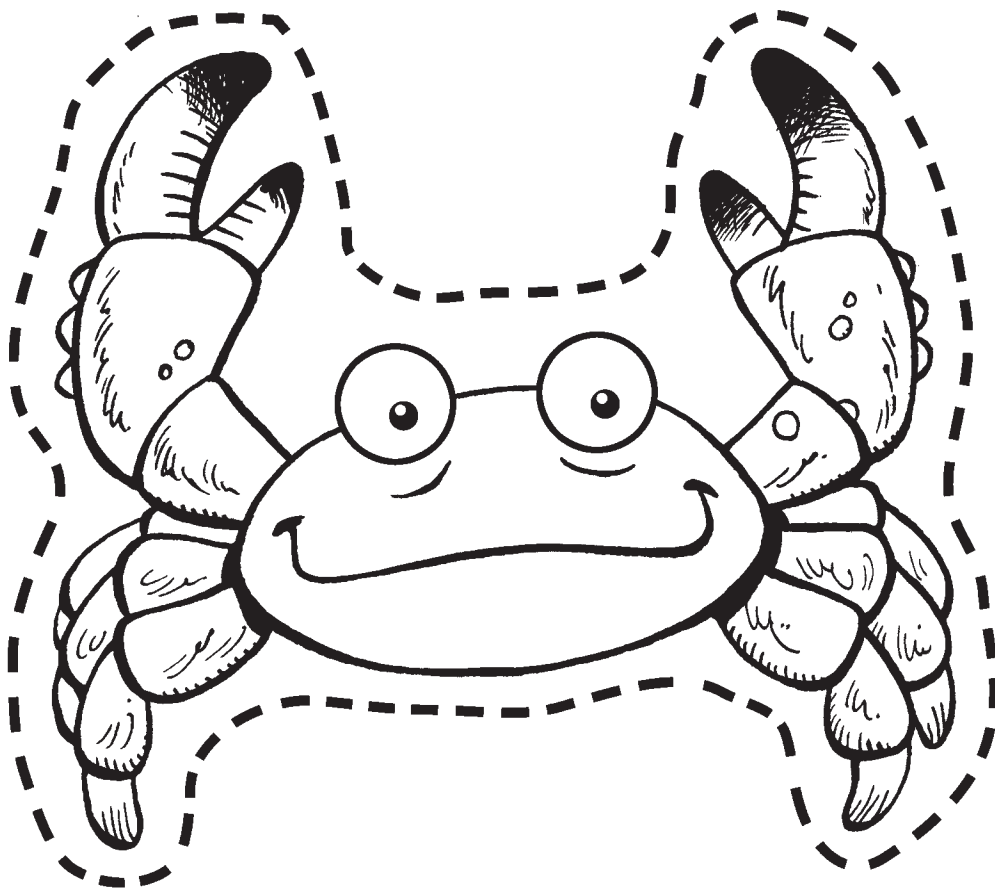
- A fish, jellyfish, crab and lobster for each person
- Two drinking straws (or you can use a piece of net or yarn) for each person.
- Felt-tip markers or crayons
- Tape
- Scissors

DIRECTIONS

Give each participant four sea creatures - a fish, jellyfish, crab, and lobster (from the introductory activity). Invite them to color each using felt-tip pens or crayons. Each participant will take two drinking straws and tape them together in the shape of an X. Give each participant 5 lengths of yarn each 10 inches long. Take each sea creature and tape one end of each of 4 lengths of yarn to the back. Take the other end of each of the 4 lengths of yarn and tape one each to the ends of the straws. Take the 5th 10 inch length of yarn and tape it to the middle of the straws for hanging. (Nets or a long piece of yarn can be used in place of the straws.)

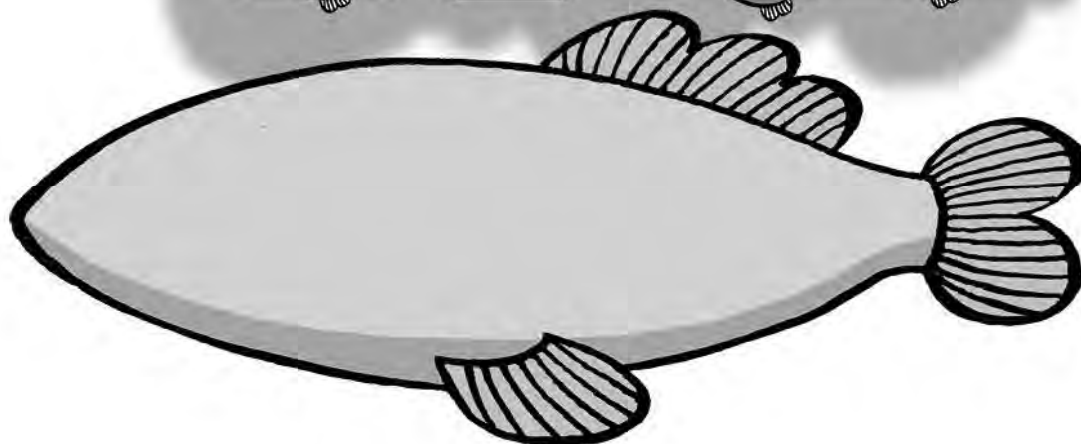
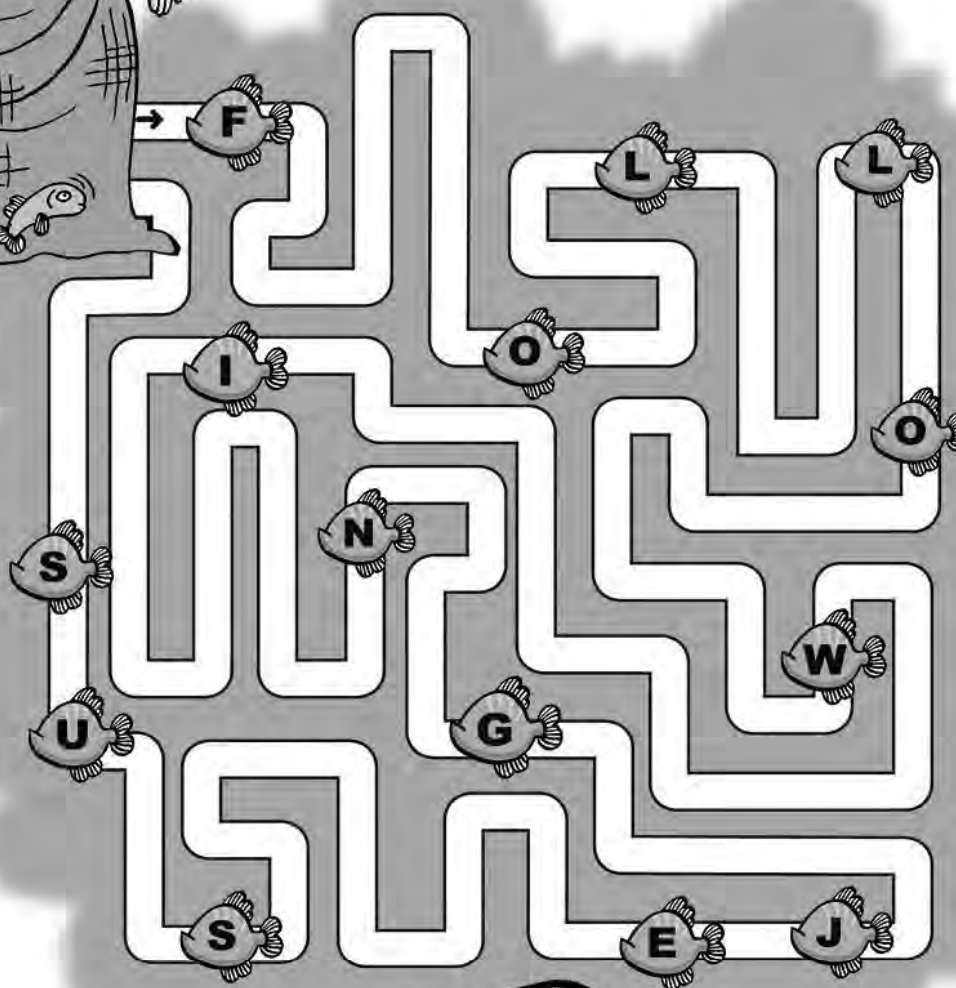


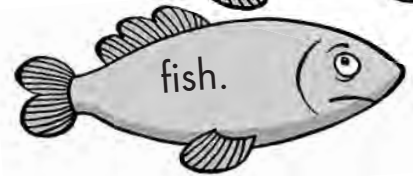
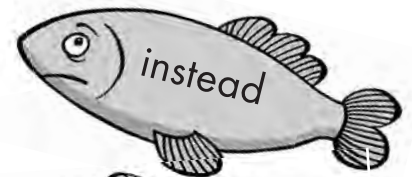
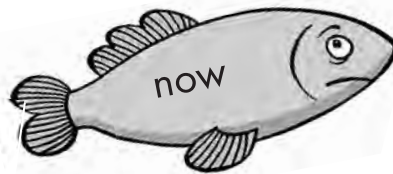
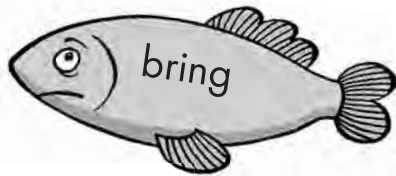






Copy the letters into the big fish at the bottom to discover the treasure!





JESUS' PROMISE

What did Jesus promise the fishermen?

Place the words on the fish into the sentence below.

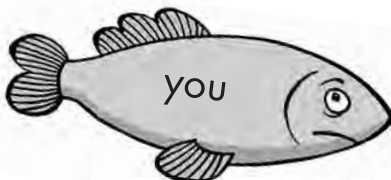
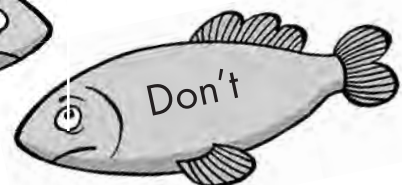
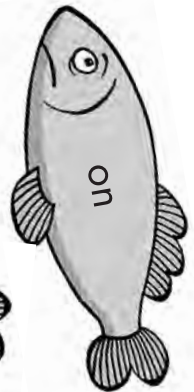
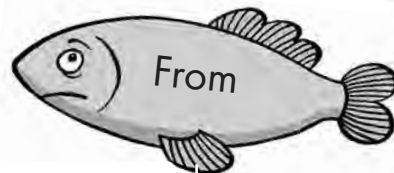
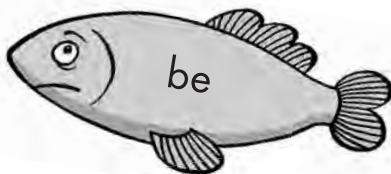
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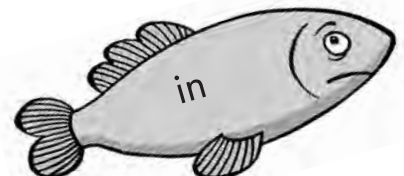
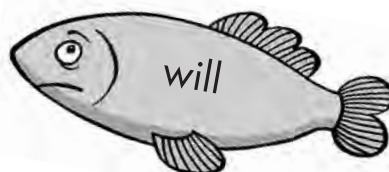
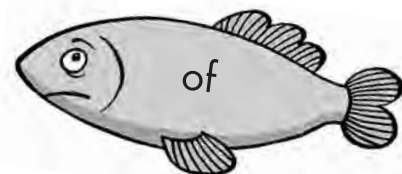
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Jesus called the fishermen to follow him, and he calls us to follow him too.



TREASURE SCROLL

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What we think about the idea that Jesus is calling us to follow him.
What does this mean?

