Catechism Lesson for Adults and Teens
1st Sunday of Luke

Calling of the First Disciples

Read the Gospel Passage. Luke 5:1-11

Discussion Questions:
1. How did Peter respond to Jesus telling him to try putting his nets out again? (MULTIPLE CHOICE)
   a. (Suggested to try the idea tomorrow)
   b. (Complied though exhausted)
   c. (Asked who Jesus was)
   d. (Politely ask Jesus to stick to preaching)

2. How did Peter react to the big catch after he did what Jesus asked him to do? (MULTIPLE CHOICE)
   a. (He was overjoyed)
   b. (He was in disbelief)
   c. (He was astonished)
   d. (He was exhausted)

3. What did Peter say directly to Jesus after the big catch? (MULTIPLE CHOICE)
   a. (You are the Son of God)
   b. (Depart from me, for I am a sinful man)
   c. (Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.)
   d. (Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death)

4. Imagine you were a fisherman on Peter’s boat and after a long day of fishing came up empty
   a. When have you ever felt so tired of a long day where nothing seemed to go right?
   b. How might you have responded to Jesus asking you to try again after a long day?
5. Peter is amazed by all the fish they caught after Jesus instructed them to cast their nets one more time. He says, “depart from me, for I am a sinful man!” Have you ever felt like Peter, in awe, afraid, or unworthy in the presence of God?

6. When the Disciples were called, they had to leave everything they had and knew and started new lives following Jesus and faced a lot of uncertainty.
   a. When have you started something very big, new, or moved somewhere and had to “start over”?

   b. How did you feel and what were the challenges?

   c. How do you think/feel God was with you in that new experience?

7. When have you ever felt “called” to do something? Who was it that called you? What was it for (to go on a trip, to go see someone or something significant, to help with a chore or a job, to learn something, etc)

8. Jesus called the Disciples to literally follow Him and to also follow His teachings. What are some teachings Jesus, the Scripture, the Church calls us to follow?

9. A calling is often like a responsibility, and the Disciples had to be responsible with the power God had given them and be responsible to Jesus’ teachings.
   a. What gifts do you feel God has given you?

   b. What responsibilities do you feel you have?

10. Jesus tells Peter he will be a “fisher of men”, meaning Peter will bring many people to come to know/love God. What do you think helps draw others towards Christ? How can we be good “fisher of men”?