

JESUS FINDS ANDREW AND PETER

One day, Jesus saw some men fishing. They were using nets. Jesus knew that they would be good followers of what He would teach them. He saw Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother. He said, "Follow me, and you will catch men."

Then he saw two more brothers, James and John. Jesus called to them. They left their father to follow Jesus. Then Jesus traveled through Galilee, teaching, and healing those who were ill.

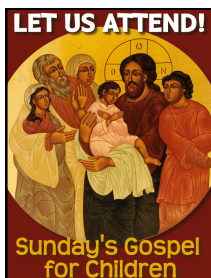
WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. Jesus saw some men and called to them. What were they doing?
2. Jesus knew they would follow, or do, what He taught them. What is one thing Jesus wants us to do?
3. What were the names of the first brothers Jesus called to?
4. What were the names of the second brothers? Both names begin with "J."
5. Jesus told them they would call others to follow Him.

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ANDREW IS THE FIRST DISCIPLE

One day, our Lord Jesus Christ was walking along the Sea of Galilee. He came to two brothers, Simon (called Peter) and Andrew. These brothers were fishermen. They were just casting their net into the sea when Jesus came to them.

He said, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for men!" Right away, Simon Peter and Andrew left their nets and followed Jesus!

As they walked along, Jesus saw two more brothers. James and John were both in a boat with their father, Zebedee. They were fixing their nets so that they could fish again. Jesus called out to invite them to follow Him.

Right away, James and John left the boat and their father, and followed Jesus.

Then Jesus went all around Galilee. He taught in the synagogues, preached the good news about God's kingdom, and healed every sickness that people had.

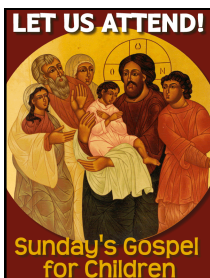
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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. Who did Jesus meet when He was out walking by the Sea of Galilee?
2. What were these brothers doing when Jesus saw them?
3. What did Jesus invite them to do?
4. What does Jesus mean when He tells Peter and Andrew that He will make them fish for men? Ask a parent or godparent if you don't know.
5. Who does he meet next?
6. Did you notice how soon all four of these men obeyed Jesus? Did they wait until it fit in their schedule? When did they follow Him?
7. How about you? When someone that you should obey asks you to do something, do you do it right away? Pray, and ask God to help you to obey like the apostles did.



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THE FIRST FOLLOWER OF CHRIST

At that time, as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers,

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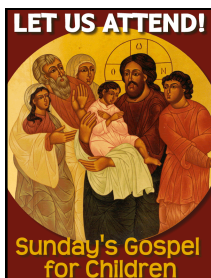
Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every infirmity among the people.



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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. Who does Jesus see when He's walking by the Sea of Galilee?
2. What are they doing when He sees them? Why?
3. What does Jesus say he will make them be? What do you think that means?
4. What brothers did Jesus meet next?
5. When does the Gospel say that all four of these men followed Jesus? Do you think that is important? Why or why not?
6. What did Jesus do, next?
7. Pray, and ask God to help you to respond like the apostles did (immediately) when He (or other authorities in your life) asks you to do something.



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THE CALL OF THE DISCIPLES

Characters: Narrator, Jesus

Narrator: At that time, as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them,

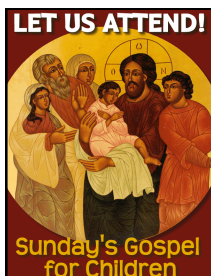
Jesus: Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

Narrator: Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them.

Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every infirmity among the people.



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FOLLOW ME!

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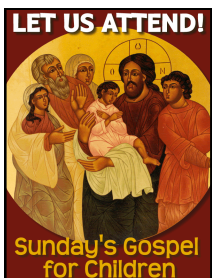
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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. What is the goal of fishing? What does a fisherman do?
2. What tools are the men in this gospel using to catch fish?
3. What does Jesus offer to make the fishermen into?
4. What does a fisher of people do?
5. What is the goal of fishing for people?
6. What tools would a fisher of people use?
7. What tools do you have to be a fisher of people?



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JESUS GATHERS DISCIPLES

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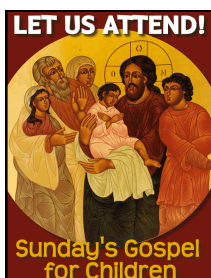
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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. What is the goal of fishing? What does a fisherman do with what he collects?
2. What does a fisher of people gather?
3. Who is Jesus fishing for in this gospel?
4. How does he gather them?
5. What does Jesus promise to make them?
6. How is being collected by Jesus different than being a fish caught in a net?
7. Are we the fish, the fishers of men, or both in this gospel? Why do you say that?



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