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Lesson Scripture:
Luke 5:1-11



“Follow Me”

While standing by the shore, people gathered around Jesus to hear Him speak. Two boats were on the beach. The fishermen were washing their nets. Jesus got into the boat that belonged to Simon Peter. He asked him to push away from the shore. Once away from shore, Jesus sat and taught the crowd.

When Jesus finished, He said to Simon, “Push the boat into deeper water and cast your nets there.”

“Master,” Simon said, “we’ve worked hard all night and caught nothing. But if you say so, I will do it.” He cast the nets and caught so many fish that the nets were breaking! Then he called for help of another boat. Both boats were so full of fish that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell on his knees before Jesus, saying, “Leave me, Lord! I am sinful!”

Everyone was amazed at their catch, even Simon’s partners, James and John, the sons of Zebedee. Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid. From now on you will fish for people.”

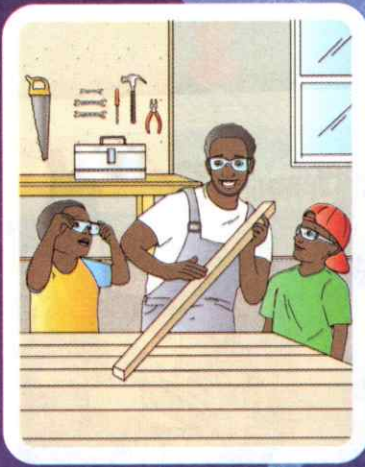
They pulled the boats up onto the beach, left everything behind, and followed Jesus.

Key Verse

Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.” (Luke 5:10b)



Follow the Leader



Jason and Jared were always helping their dad work in his woodshop. Dad was good at making all types of furniture.

"Jason and Jared, today, I want to show you how to make a leg for Grandma's table," Dad said, picking up a large piece of wood.

"Follow everything that I do," Dad said while putting on his safety glasses.

Both boys put on their glasses and Dad handed them each a piece of wood and sandpaper.

"Dad, you aren't going to use a machine to make these?" Jared asked.

"No—you're going to follow me and learn how I learned from my dad and grandpapa . . . by hand," Dad explained.

"But that sounds like it's going to be hard," Jason commented.

"If you follow what I do exactly, then it won't be so difficult," Dad said.

Whatever Dad did, Jason and Jared imitated. And the more they sanded the wood, the easier it got.

"Dad, you're right! It's not that hard if we follow what you do," Jason noted.

Jason and Jared were enjoying working with their father. They understood the importance of following directions, because what they were making was important.

***** Exploring the Story in Ruby's Lab *****



I will gladly follow a wise leader!



Hello, everyone! Ruby here! It is important to follow directions in the science lab. Following directions keeps us safe and tells us what we are doing. It allows us to do some wonderful things in science. Simon Peter followed directions and even found a new way to fish.

Have you ever provided instructions for something? Did everyone follow your instructions? Did someone leave out a step? I like having people in my lab, but it's important for them to follow me.

Here's your assignment: Has there been a time when you were asked to follow? How did you respond? Think about it and we will discuss it next week.