

Luke 5:1-11 *New King James Version*

Four Fishermen Called as Disciples

- 1** So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the **Lake of Gennesaret**,
- 2** and saw **two boats** standing by the **lake**, but the **fishermen had gone from** them and were **washing *their* nets**.
- 3** Then, He got into **one of the boats**, which was **Simon's**, and asked him to put out a **little from the land**. And He sat down and **taught the multitudes from the boat**.
- 4** When He had **stopped speaking**, He said to Simon, "**Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.**"
- 5** **But** Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, **we have toiled all night and caught nothing**; nevertheless, **at Your word I will** let down the net."
- 6** And when they had done this, they **caught a great number of fish**, and **their net was breaking**.
- 7** So they **signaled to *their* partners in the other boat to come and help them**. And **they came and filled both the boats**, so that **they began to sink**.
- 8** When Simon **Peter saw *it***, he **fell down at Jesus' knees**, saying, "**Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!**"
- 9** For he and all who were with him were **astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken**;
- 10** and so also **were James and John**, the sons of Zebedee, who were **partners with Simon**. And Jesus said to Simon, "**Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.**"
- 11** So when they had **brought their boats to land**, **they forsook all and followed Him**.