

**Week beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

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**Luke 5** - Again Jesus is teaching!

You don't fish in the daytime – unless Jesus says so. And He brings in the fish. Be encouraged. Sin lies at the heart of all that's wrong with the world – and you and me. Forgiveness is holistic. Does our gospel reflect Jesus's, ministering to body, soul, and mind? What is Luke's main theme? (Lk 1:67-79; 2:10-11, 28-32; 3:4-6; 4:17-21, 33-44; 5:18-26) Who are the killjoys. How do we celebrate the joy of our salvation. What do others think about it?

**Chapter 6** – Still teaching!

What is at the heart of The Law (Lk 10:27)? How many of the 10 commandments do we keep? Interesting who is first and last in the lists of apostles (Mt 10:1-4; Mk 3:16-19) Who are the disciples (20-22)? What is their reward? And the converse (24ff)? What are our moral obligations? Love your enemy – really? God doesn't sell us short. How do we treat others? Amazing grace. Overflowing mercy.

**Chapter 7**

Good news to the poor – but the centurion is rich! Discuss. (Mt 5:3) How can we speak with authority? Why is John confused, and how does Jesus help him to understand? Simon is not Peter. How thankful are we for mercy received? *Hobah* in Aramaic means sin or debt. Why do some people object to the idea of grace?

**Chapter 8** – still teaching

Are you listening? Ah, but are you hearing? Is our understanding superficial? (See 2 Tim 2:15) A life of persistent, patient fruit bearing is the true mark of discipleship. Never mind the crowds! Don't forget Psalm 107:22-29. Jesus is Lord of all. Let's give him a chance with *our* problems. Never either overestimate not underestimate Satan's power. Don't be surprised by rejection. Stilling storms, casting out demons and the greatest enemy – death (1 Cor 15:26). Yes, Lord of all.

**Chapter 9**

Our missionaries are in a different situation! Such as...? Why were there so many leftovers from the meal? Did God need to create such a large universe? Perhaps He's just showing off! And he gives us eternal life – abundant life. Enjoy! But discipleship is more than 'a bed of roses'. Before the crown, the cross. Before glory, Golgotha. 'Turn your eyes upon Jesus'. How would you react if you saw Jesus, quite literally, today?