

Fishers of Men

Right from the start Jesus knew that he would be working with others as part of a team. Today's story is about how Jesus put that team together.

The twelve he chose were not the kind of people you would expect. They were very ordinary people who had never been chosen before. They had no special education or talents, but they were hardworking and honest; and Jesus saw their potential to do great things for God. They were called his disciples which means they wanted to follow both his teaching and his example.

Story: [Jesus calls Peter](#) - Saddleback Kids



Craft: On a piece of blue card or paper using paint make a hand print. Then draw sea weed and put a googly eye onto the picture. Use a straw dipped into white paint to make the bubbles coming from the mouth of the fish.

Song time: [I have decided to follow Jesus](#) - Lifetree Kids

[I will make you fishers of men](#) - Wonder Kids

Jesus called some of his disciples directly, but others joined the team because their friends and family told them about Jesus and asked them to come along. Peter who was to later become the leader of the church is an example of this as he was first introduced to Jesus by his friend Andrew.

Do you have a friend that you could tell about Jesus?

Prayer time:

Thank you Jesus for asking us to be part of your team.

Thank you for trusting us with this important work.

Help us to tell others about God's love

and to show others how following you can make life so much better.

Help us to follow you and be good disciples. Amen.

Game: Cut out the fish from the templates. Place the paper fish in a line on the floor and decide where in the room you want to 'catch' the fish. Waft the cardboard to make the fish move in that direction. The first one there has won! Now make it harder by creating an obstacle course to get the fish around.

Fishing game

Cut around the fish shapes and find some stiff cardboard, or a newspaper, or something else that will create a draft when you flap it.





