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Studying God's Word is one of the the best ways to grow your relationship with God, be tuned to the Holy Spirit, and get to know Jesus intimately. John 1 tells us that the Word is God, the writer of Psalms tells us it will light our path, and Jesus tells us in John 8 if we abide in His Word, we are truly His disciples.

This tool is just oe of the many ways to study the Bible and dive deeper into the passafes we will be studying each weekend together. Our hope is that you begin to deeply understand the scripture we will be unpacking and allow God to speak to your heart before you even walk through the doors on Sunday.

This tool is designed to help guide you as you seek to understand the context of each verse, what it meant to uts original audience, and what it means to us today.

There are a few ways you can utilize this PDF.

- 01** Print the PDF.
-or-
- 02** Download the PDF, open in a notes app (GoodNotes, Notability, etc), fill it out digitally.
-or-
- 03** Use the PDF to transcribe into a notebook or journal.

5 Marks of a Disciple

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- Love His Church Wholeheartedly
- Follow the Holy Spirit Relentlessly
- Seek the Lost Intentionally
- Know Jesus Intimately



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Week of March 13th // Conversation: March 19th // **Luke 5:1-11**
“Fishers of Men” -pt2

In Luke 5:1-11, Luke shares the story of how Jesus called the first disciples. What is a disciple? Someone that follows Jesus and leads others to do the same. It is someone who:

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In this week’s message, we’re going to be taking a look at what it looks like to obey God’s Word completely and follow the Holy Spirit relentlessly.

pray.

As you’re settling into this time of study with the Lord, close your eyes and quiet your mind. Ask Him to guide your understanding of the Scriptures. John 14:26 says that the Holy Spirit is our helper. He will teach us all things and bring to our remembrance all that Jesus has said to us in His Word. Trust that God will speak to your heart as only He can do, and will draw you to the words He wants you to focus on.

observe.

Using different colors, mark the following key words in the text that has been printed out for you below. As you read, only mark 1 word at a time. When you're finished, you should have read through the Scriptures multiple times.

- 01 Put a ⁺cross over every mention of Jesus, including pronouns like he and him.
- 02 Circle every reference to Simon Peter
- 03 Put a box around the instruction that Jesus gives to Simon Peter.
- 04 Underline Simon Peter's response to Jesus's instruction.

LUKE 5:1-11 (ESV)

On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, 2 and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. 3 Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. 4 And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." 5 And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets."

6 And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. 7 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 But 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 that they had taken, 10 and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." 11 And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

GALATIANS 5:25 (NKJV)

25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Let's dig deeper into some of the words in this verse in the language they were originally written in - Greek. A great resource for language study is **blueletterbible.org**.

"Live"

Greek word - Zao (verb)

// to live, breathe, be among the living, to enjoy real life.

Greek words have different moods. The mood for "live" is present indicative active, which means that the action is happening in the present time, that the subject carries out the action, and that it is a true statement.



“Walk”

Greek word – stoicheo (verb)

// to walk, walk orderly, to proceed in a row like a marching soldier, to go in order, to direct one’s life.

Mood: Present subjunctive active, which means a continuous or repeated action being done by the subject.

So let’s plug these definitions and moods into Galatians 5:25.

If we live (presently live, breathe and truly enjoy real life) by the Spirit, let us also walk (walk orderly, march in a row like a soldier, direct one’s life continually and repeatedly) in the Spirit.

interpret.

01

What was Jesus’s instruction to Simon Peter

02

How did Simon Peter respond? Look at his exact words. What did he say in reply?

03

How often do we need to be walking in the Spirit according to Galatians 5:25? Is it a one-time thing?



apply.

01 Have you ever sensed God telling you to “let down your net for a catch”? What was the situation?

02 Did you obey God, or did you doubt?

03 How’s your walk today? Do you feel as if you’re continually walking by the Spirit? Write out your thoughts as if you’re talking to God face-to-face.



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bring it together.

Simon Peter was given a strange request by Jesus. He had been toiling all night long and hadn't caught anything. But Jesus wanted him to let his nets down into the deep anyway. When Simon Peter obeyed, the results were overwhelming.

When we're faced with the decision to obey God, it can be tempting to think about how things will turn out from our limited perspective. From Simon Peter's perspective, how would letting down the nets this time be different than before? The difference is the command of Jesus. When He gives the command, everything changes! All Simon Peter needed to do, as a disciple, was to obey completely.

In order for Peter to begin living his new life as a disciple of Christ (and in order for us to be true disciples of Christ) he needed to continually walk by the Holy Spirit.

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