



**At-A-Glance: Ages 10-12**  
**God of Wonders Part 1: Miracles of Jesus**  
**Unit 1, Lesson 2**

## **Filling the Nets**

**Lesson Aim: To challenge children to respond to Jesus' miracles by following Him.**

### **THE WELCOME**

**MEET & GREET: How big was the biggest fish you have ever seen?**

**GAME:** Fill the Nets

### **THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE GOD OF WONDERS**

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 95:5-6.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Kingdom Adventures script or read storybook.

### **THE WORD JESUS FILLS THE NETS WITH FISH**

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus' first miracle at the wedding to show He is God.

**Today, we will hear about a miracle Jesus performed in the Sea of Galilee.** Point to the Sea of Galilee in Israel. **This miracle took place on the shore of Lake Gennesaret, also known as the Sea of Galilee. One of the fishermen was named Simon Peter. Let's check out what happened in this miracle.** Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Luke 5:1-11. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Luke 5:11. Pray. Read.

### **THE WAY WE CAN TRUST AND FOLLOW JESUS**

**Why do you think Simon Peter obeyed Jesus and went fishing even though he didn't think there were any fish? Is there something the Bible says to do that doesn't seem to make sense to you? If so, how can Simon Peter's example help you obey God?**

**Why do you think Jesus chose a miracle about fish to convince fishermen to follow Him? Have you ever seen a miracle that was special for your family or friends? How did it help you trust God?**

**What did Simon Peter do and say to Jesus when the nets were full?** (He fell down and said, "Go away from me Lord. I am a sinful man.") **How did that show he believed Jesus was God?** (He treated Jesus like God by

worshiping Him and admitting his sins to Jesus.) **At first, after the miracle, Simon Peter was afraid and did not want to be near Jesus. Have you ever felt afraid of God because of what you have done? What did Jesus say to Simon Peter about that?** ("Do not be afraid. Follow Me.")

**Jesus is the God of Wonders who created the universe, yet He cares about our thoughts and the details of our lives. He personally invites us to follow Him. He calls to us in a special way and makes certain conversations, events and sometimes miracles happen so each of us will believe and follow Him. Would any of you like to share your own story of how you came to believe and follow Jesus?**

**What did the fishermen do when Jesus told them to follow Him?** (Left everything and followed Him.) **What do you think Simon Peter's friends said when they heard he left everything to follow a man who did miracles? If Jesus asked you to follow Him, could you leave everything and follow Him? What might your friends say? How might seeing a miracle give you the courage to trust Jesus and follow Him?**

**What was Jesus' plan for Simon Peter and the other fishermen?** (To help people follow Jesus.) **When has it been hard for you to put Jesus first and follow Him? How does knowing that God has a plan for you help you keep following Jesus?**

### **CHRIST CONNECTION:**

**Thousands of years before Jesus filled the nets with fish, He filled the sea with fish. Everything was created by Him and for Him. Listen as we read.** Reveal Isaiah 42:5-6. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

**When you follow Jesus, He is the one who will do great things with your life. How is following Jesus and letting Him lead different than just following His rules and teachings?**

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES:**

- TREASURE TREAT: Photograph of the Sea of Galilee
- W<sup>3</sup> BETWEEN THE LINES Journal Entry #2
- OFFERING OF ART: Fishermen with their nets full of fish
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### **GOT TIME?**

**SNACK:** Fish Food

**GAMES:** Fish in the Net, Jesus and the Miraculous Catch

**CRAFT:** Sandy Fish Plates

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** The Wave, Musical Chairs

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**