

## Sermon Guide – July 9, 2023 – Fishing Stories

### The First Disciples

<sup>18</sup> One day as Jesus was walking along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers—Simon, also called Peter, and Andrew—throwing a net into the water, for they fished for a living. <sup>19</sup> Jesus called out to them, “Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!” <sup>20</sup> And they left their nets at once and followed him.

<sup>21</sup> A little farther up the shore he saw two other brothers, James and John, sitting in a boat with their father, Zebedee, repairing their nets. And he called them to come, too. <sup>22</sup> They immediately followed him, leaving the boat and their father behind.

What catches your attention or impresses you about this passage?

What questions would you have had for Jesus?

What vision does “fishing for people” bring to mind?

Do you think people like “to be fished?”

Brian Blount says, “You get caught, you don’t get to go back!” How has life changed since you were “caught?”