

DEITY AND DISCIPLESHIP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

LUKE 5:1-32

1 **In Luke 5, Peter, the leper, the paralytic, and Levi the tax collector were all changed by encountering Jesus.** The Scribes and Pharisees were not. Why was that? What was the difference between those stories?

⚙️ *What danger could someone be in by thinking they're spiritually fine rather than spiritually sick?*

♥️ *How did God first reveal you your need for the Great Physician to you? How does He continue to do so? What difference has Jesus made in your life recently? How have you been changed by your encounter with Christ?*

2 **John Calvin wrote, "Man never attains to a true knowledge of himself until he has contemplated the face of God, and come down after such contemplation to look into himself."** Discuss that thought together as a group.

🗨️ *What similar experiences have you had to what Peter went through in Luke 5:8?*

♥️ *What part should regular reflection on both Jesus' divinity and holiness and our humanity and sinfulness have in our lives? What effects would that have on our walk with Jesus?*

⚙️ *Why do you think it's important to know our place and Christ's place? What practical implications does that have for our lives?*

3 **At first glance it seems like Jesus picked some unlikely characters to be his apostles.** Does the truth that Jesus uses sinful people to accomplish his purposes encourage you, challenge you, or both? What would change if you lived in light of this truth?

4 **In Luke 5:11, 28 we see the fishermen leave their nets and a tax collector leave his booth to follow Jesus.** How does Jesus' call of discipleship demand that all of us leave things behind?

♥ *How does Jesus' call of discipleship address the deepest needs and longings of the human heart?*

♥ *What difference does it make to the way you look at your day today to know that those longings and needs are already met if you're trusting Christ?*

♥ *What would it look like for you right now to leave everything and follow Jesus? Are you obeying that command?*

5 **Think about Jesus' ministry to various people in various settings in Luke 5.** Which of Jesus' ministering qualities do you want to have added to or reinforced in your character? What would nurture this quality in your life?

🌸 *In Luke 5 we see Jesus interacting with sinners in various settings. In what ways should Christians follow the Lord's example? In what ways or in what circumstances should Christians be careful about this?*