

w/b 25<sup>th</sup> October 2015 LIFE APPLICATION/DWP

THEME: Prize, Price and Advice - The cost of discipleship. In the shoes of the fisherman.

PASSAGE: Luke 5 1-11 & Matthew 4 18 – 22

#### LAUNCH

- When was the last time you were interrupted by someone as you were doing something really important and asked to do something else? How did you feel about it?

#### DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING

- What are some of the reasons why we don't witness to more people around us?
- Read Luke 5:1-11. At the beginning of this passage, what is going on in Jesus's head, what is going on in the crowd's head and what is going on in Simon Peter's head? (Feel free to use your imagination).
- Peter was interrupted to help Jesus reach out to the crowd. In what ways do we get 'interrupted' by opportunities to reach out to those around us?
- How does the 'tyranny of the immediate' in our lives sometimes prevent us reaching out to those around us in this critical area of witness?
- What do you think Jesus was teaching the disciples as he made his second request? ( v4 )
- Do you think Peter was generally aware of his sin or aware of sin that morning? Why would this miracle in particular have made him aware of sin?
- As a fisherman, Peter must not have felt particularly well qualified to catch people? How do we feel under qualified?
- Why does Jesus compare fishing with evangelism? What are the similarities?

#### APPLICATION

- What's your social diary like over the next few months? Does it need adjusting?
- What cell socials would it be good to plan?
- Pray for time, boldness and passion to share our faith with those around us.