



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

The King and His Men

Take Home Point:

Follow Jesus and be fishers of men.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: What bait did the presenter in large group use to catch "fish" or kids? (Gummy worms!)

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Give every member of your family a Tootsie Roll or taffy candy and let him roll it out in the shape of a fishhook. (Licorice or even biscuit dough could be used.) As they make their fishhooks, have each person tell about a time he felt very close to God. The fishhook can remind them of how God has hooked them with his love. It also is in the shape of a "J," which stands for Jesus.

READ THE BIBLE: Matthew 4:17-25, Jesus calls his first disciples.

KEY VERSE: Matthew 4:19 (NIV): "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."

TALK ABOUT IT: What were the names of the four disciples Jesus chose? (*Peter, Andrew, James, and John.*) How soon did they leave to follow Jesus? (*Immediately.*) Why do you think they left immediately to follow Jesus? (*They had caught the vision and understood how important it was to catch people for Jesus.*) What was the connection between the disciples' job and what Jesus was asking them to do? (*They were fishermen and Jesus was asking them to catch people.*) What was the bait Jesus used to get people to follow him? (*He talked about the good news of his kingdom. He also cured every disease and sickness among the people.*)

How do you feel about Jesus calling you to catch people for him? Why do you think it is so important that we do it immediately? (*There are people who need to know Jesus and you may be the only person to tell them.*)

PRAYER POWER: Pray for ideas to do this week to share Jesus' love and be fishers of men.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

Make a fishbowl of names that members of your family are praying for and encouraging spiritually. You could use a real fishbowl or another bowl. Think of ways you could pray for these people, spiritually encourage them, or witness to them.

You might have an encouragement card party where you draw names and write an encouraging card or email. Dessert or snack ideas to go along with this activity are goldfish crackers, gummy worms, or blue gelatin in a clear bowl.

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