BATTLE READY



Luke: Battle Ready (Jan. 3 to 31)

We are continuing our study of the Gospel of Luke (we began with our "Hindsight Is 20/20" Christmas series in Dec. 2020). "Battle Ready" takes us from Luke 3:1 through 5:26. From John the Baptist preparing the way, to the call of the 12 disciples, we'll see the start of Jesus' ministry as recorded by Luke in his gospel account.

Group Discussion

Main Text: Luke 5:1-11

Additional Text: Proverbs 3:5-6, Isaiah 6:6, Jude 1:22-23

Getting started: What is something that gets under your skin with other people?

- 1. Read Luke 5:1-5. How do you imagine Simon Peter is feeling when he responds to Jesus's command to let down the nets one more time? How would you have responded? What has Peter just experienced with Jesus that might make him more willing to obey (see Luke 4:38-41)? How has God been faithful to you in your past? Has experiencing God's faithfulness in your own life helped you similarly trust in Him?
- 2. Are there things God has asked you to do that you don't understand or struggle to agree with? Are you able to say, "Because you say so," and obey?
- 3. Read Luke 5:6-9. Why do you think Peter responds the way he does? Have you ever had an experience where you have felt awestruck by God? Or by other people?
- 4. Read Luke 5:10-11. What stands out to you about how Jesus responds to Simon Peter's repentance? What does this even mean to fish for people? How do all the fishermen ultimately respond when they get back to shore?

- 5. Jesus gives Peter a new priority and purpose for his life. As believers, our first priority is Jesus. What are you willing to leave behind to follow him? What is most difficult for you to leave behind? Our second priority is people. What people are most difficult for you to prioritize or love? How can you love people in a way that leads them to Jesus?
- 6. Read Jude 1:22-23. Are you close to someone who is far from God? We want to snatch others from the flames. How can we best show love and mercy to others?

Next Steps

What have you learned about God from His Word? How is He asking you to apply it to your life? When will you apply it?



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