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1. Imagine yourself in Peter or Andrew's shoes—just doing your job when Jesus walks up and says, "Follow me, and I'll make you fishers of people." What would you honestly be thinking or feeling in that moment? What might make it hard for you to leave your "nets"?
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