

# Who Jesus Is

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## *1. Jesus Teaches Us*

**Luke 5:1-3** One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

A. Jesus was the greatest teacher who ever lived.

B. Jesus gave the greatest teachings ever given.

**Luke 6:46-49** "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say? As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete."

C. The teachings of Jesus are the key to success and stability in life.

## *2. Jesus Leads Us*

**Luke 5:4-5** When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

A. We are led by His commands.

B. We are led by His Spirit.

**John 5:19** Jesus gave them this answer: "Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does"

**John 5:30** By myself I can do nothing; I judge only as I hear, and my judgment is just, for I seek not to please myself but him who sent me.

C. If what Jesus asks you to do does not make sense today, believe that it will tomorrow.

### 3. *Jesus Amazes Us*

**Luke 5:6-7** When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

A. His miracles are to build our faith.

B. His miracles are to bring blessing.

C. His miracles are to draw others to know Him.

**Luke 5:9-10** For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

### 4. *Jesus Saves Us*

**Luke 5:8** When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!"

A. We must recognize our need for salvation.

B. We must recognize Jesus as our Savior.

**Titus 3:3-8 (The Message)** It wasn't so long ago that we ourselves were stupid and stubborn, dupes of sin, ordered every which way by our glands, going around with a chip on our shoulder, hated and hating back. But when God, our kind and loving Savior God, stepped in, he saved us from all that. It was all his doing; we had nothing to do with it. He gave us a good bath, and we came out of it new people, washed inside and out by the Holy Spirit. Our Savior Jesus poured out new life so generously. God's gift has restored our relationship with him and given us back our lives. And there's more life to come—an eternity of life! You can count on this.

## 5. *Jesus Calls Us*

**Luke 5:10** Then Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.”

### A. Jesus Calls Us To Divine Purpose.

**John 1:12** Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God —

**John 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

### B. Jesus Calls Us To Complete Surrender.

**Luke 5:11** So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

**Matthew 4:19-20** “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” At once they left their nets and followed him.

**Luke 9:23-26** Then he said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self? Whoever is ashamed of me and my words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his glory and in the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.