

Fish Symbol – Very early the fish became a symbol of Christianity. During persecution by the Romans, Christians used this symbol as a secret code to discover whether or not another person was a Christian. The first letters of the Greek words for “Jesus Christ” spell the Greek word for “fish” (ΙΧΘΥC). They were also used boldly as a means of identification among Christians because it had no significance to unbelievers. Jesus himself said he would make his disciples “fishers of men”.



Fishing for men: what does that mean? You are the bait. Your life should attract people to God’s way, just like worms attract fish to the hook. Your friends should notice a difference in you; then when they ask you about the secret to your peace, and joy, you can tell them about Jesus.

KEY VERSES:
MATTHEW 4:19, AND
LUKE 5:1-11

FISHING TRIP: BECOMING FISHERS OF MEN

Day
40



Activity: Color the fish that represent the ways we can become Fishers of Men and “Catch” people for Jesus – A great way to Catch others and to be “Caught” in the act of doing good to others. We can become great fishermen when we learn to love others the way Jesus loves us!

Record in your journal your favorite thing you did, or saw, or ate today. Write down someone you would like to pray for.



Children
around the
world



Children of
Lesotho

Did you know there is a country called Lesotho? It is a small “enclave” in Southern Africa (an enclave is a “territory surrounded by another country’s territory”). Many of the people of Lesotho are illiterate. This means many of them do not know how to read and write. One of the most important reasons we need to know how to read is so we can read the Bible. Pray for missionaries to build good schools and churches to teach the young people of Lesotho how to read the Bible and hear the good news of Jesus Christ. Pray for the children of Lesotho to grow up feeding on the Word of God so they might write this important message on their hearts. Thank God for your school and your church and for the Bible you get to read and enjoy every day of your life!