

LEARN IT!



Jesus, Peter, James and John

One day, Jesus was preaching on the shore. Many people began to crowd around Him. There were two fishing boats nearby that belonged to Peter, James and John. These men had fished all night and caught nothing and were washing out their nets. Jesus got into Peter's boat and asked him to row it out a little so that He could teach the crowd of people better. When Jesus had finished speaking, He asked Peter to move out into the deeper water and let down the nets to catch some fish. Peter told Jesus that they had been out all night and had caught nothing, but he listened and did what Jesus asked. To their surprise, they caught so many fish that their nets began to tear. Peter called out to James and John to come help. When they got out there, there were enough fish to fill both boats! They took their boats back to shore, left everything and followed Jesus. (Source: Luke 5:1-11)

Memory Verse:

My dear friends, you should be quick to listen and slow to speak or to get angry. James 1:19 CEV



The key to unlocking this lesson today is learning to listen to God. Even when it may not make sense to me, we need to listen to God and do what He is telling me to do. Listening to God is the right thing to do regardless of what others may say. When Jesus told Peter to let down the nets again, Peter knew they had caught nothing all night. But he listened to Jesus, did what He said, and the result was a boat overflowing with fish!



There will be times in our lives where we will have choices to make. There will be times that we will have to make a decision about what we say or where we go. When we are learning God's ways, we will be able to listen to Him. He will help guide us to know the better path to take. Our faith grows when we listen to God and His word.



We need to spend time with God so we can know when He is guiding us. As we read the Bible more and learn verses about God's promises, we will learn to understand His leading in my life. We need to have some quiet time where we can focus just on God. That can be outside around His creation or inside in the privacy of our own rooms or space. We can even just listen to some worship music and ask God to show me His ways. It also helps to write in a journal the things that we feel or learn about God. This week we need to listen to God by reading His word.

Practice Point:

Quick to listen and slow to speak
That's what I will do all this week.

TALK TO US!

I HAVE A...

- PRAYER REQUEST
- QUESTION
- COMMENT

Please write your prayer requests, questions and/or comments on the back.

First Name:

Last Name:

Thanks for coming!
We hope you had a great time! See you next week!

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Things To Do Here

Question 1: When is it hard to listen to God?

Question 2: What does it mean to listen to God?

Question 3: How can I listen to God?

Things To Do at Home

Question 1: Ask an adult what it means to be a good listener. Write down their answer.

Question 2: Write down three ways that you can listen to God this week. Put a star by them when you do them.
**Mom or Dad – please initial IF they do them.

BONUS 3: Listen to your favorite Christmas CD with your family. Tell each other what your favorite Christmas Carol is – and why. Write them down in the space below. **Mom or Dad – please initial when you do this.



It's Character for Christmas!

Soul Food: Week Four

Elementary: Grades 3 – 6

Why spend your money on food that does not give you strength? Why pay for food that does you no good? Listen, and I will tell you where to get food that is good for the soul!

Isaiah 55:2 NLT