

Story: **Jesus Calls Disciples**

Background Scripture : **Matthew 4:18-22**

YOU WILL NEED: *Signs that say Peter, Andrew, James, John.*

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Read Matthew 4:18-22 out of your Bible, but tell them that when they hear you say the word “immediately”, they are to stand up, run and touch two walls in the room and come sit back down as fast as they can without running over anyone.

Choose 2 volunteers—

Give one a sign that says **Peter**. Give the other one a sign that says **Andrew**.

Explain the story—

Peter and Andrew were fishermen who were casting their nets into the sea. But Jesus came and said, “Follow me.” And they left their nets *immediately* (have kids touch two walls and run back). Have students REPEAT: *And they followed Jesus.*

Choose 2 volunteers—

Give one a sign that says **James**. Give the other one a sign that says **John**.

Explain the story—

James and John were fishermen who were mending their nets in the boat with their father. But Jesus asked them to follow him. And they left their nets and their father *immediately* (have kids touch two walls and run back). Have students REPEAT: *And they followed Jesus.*

KEY: Have the volunteers sit down. Jesus called these men to follow Him. Jesus still calls people to follow him. In fact, there will be a time in each of your lives that God will call you to give your life to Jesus. (Refer back to how the person who shared the testimony knew he/she needed Jesus.) But Jesus doesn’t call you with your ears. He doesn’t appear and say, “Give your life to me.” Instead, you know in your heart that you need to give your life to Jesus. Or, perhaps you begin thinking about heaven and realize that you can’t go to heaven unless you give you life to Jesus. For some people this is even kind of scary, because they realize they need a Savior. But, when that time comes for you if it hasn’t already, talk to someone. This week you could even talk to one of us or to any of the other adults you see around.

SPOT: *Where’s Your S.P.O.T.?* SPOT stands for **Specific Place or Time**. It’s talking about the Specific Place or Time that a person decided to give their life to Jesus and follow Him.

- Ask the Kids: (1) **Where do you think Peter and Andrew’s SPOT was?**
(2) **What was James and John’s SPOT was?**
(3) **Share your salvation testimony. Where was your SPOT?**