UNIT 4: GOD REVEALS HIS LOVE THROUGH JESUS
Jesus’ Ministry

LESSON 20: Jesus’ Helpers Become Fishers of Men


Story Overview: While walking by the Sea of Galilee, Jesus called four fishermen—Peter and his brother, Andrew, and James and his brother, John—to be his disciples. They left their boats and fishing nets to become Jesus’ special helpers.

Aim: To teach the babies that Jesus called His disciples, or helpers.

Memory Verse: “Let us love one another, for love is from God.” 1 John 4:7
(sung to “Old MacDonald”)

Note to teacher: Please use this printed story as a guide only. Pray for God-given creativity as you share His story.

Bible Story:

“OUR STORY IS FROM GOD’S WORD: THE BIBLE. IT IS TRUE.”
(These two sentences will begin the Bible story every week.)

Some friends of Jesus were fishermen. They went in their boats to catch fish. They did not catch any fish. Jesus told His friends to try again. The friends did what Jesus said. They were surprised! They caught lots and lots of fish. The fish filled up their boats—there were fish everywhere! Only Jesus could do that! Jesus asked His friends to be His helpers. And they did become His helpers. Jesus wants us to be His helpers.
TEACHING IDEAS

Storytelling Ideas

• Use a toy boat and toilet tissue figures.

• Mark out a boat on the floor using masking tape. Have the kids sit in the “boat” as the story is told.

Interest Centers

• Provide flannel fish; allow the babies to place the fish on the flannel board.

• Draw a giant fish on white paper and have the babies use crayons to decorate the fish.