

Reflection Questions

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Luke 5:1-11

1. The Apostle John says, “Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.” Do the gospel accounts of Jesus’ miracles help you believe that Jesus is the Messiah? the Son of God?
2. In modern times there has been an effort to explain away the miracles of Jesus, especially the nature miracles. For instance, he wasn’t walking on the water, but on a sand bar just beneath the surface. Are you more comfortable understanding these events as miracles or as natural phenomena represented as miracles?
3. The miracles recounted in the gospels often involved human participation. Have you experienced what you believe to be a miracle in your life? If so, was your participation required in any way?
4. What is the relationship between Jesus’ teaching and the Disciples “doing”? What is the relationship between Jesus teaching and our “doing”?
5. Why is it so important to couple action and reflection in terms of learning? Can you think of real life examples that demonstrate this concept?
6. Can you give an example from your life where you obeyed Jesus half-heartedly – “Because you say so . . .”? What were the results?