

So What? - 1 Leader's Guide

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- 1. God has been SO kind to send Jesus to die in our place. What kind of response does He want from us? (He wants your whole life as an offering. He wants to drive your car! He wants your love.)**
- 2. What does it mean to love the Lord with all your heart? With all your soul? With all your mind? With all your strength? (Heart-with your emotions and desires. Soul- with your unique personality. Mind-pure thoughts. Put good things into your mind, not demonic music, books, internet, movies, porn. Strength- using your physical energy, time, talents, money, influence to please God.)**
- 3. How do we make Jesus Lord over our money? (We ask Him: Where do you want me to spend my money? Then you do what He says!)**
- 4. How do we make Jesus Lord over our friendships? (We ask Him: Who do you want me to hang out with?)**
- 5. How do we make Jesus Lord over our free time? (We ask Him: what do you want me to do with my time? What TV shows do you want me to watch? What music should I listen to? What websites do I visit? He's Lord if you do what he tells you!)**
- 6. What was Peter like before Jesus changed him? (Rough fisherman, bold, bragged, proud, crude, temper, selfish, spoke and acted without thinking.)**
- 7. What miracle changed Peter's life? (Miraculous catch - 2 weeks' worth. of fish. Sees Jesus' power. Had worked all night and caught nothing!)**
- 8. How can we be "all in"? (Make Jesus #1 in our lives. Put Him ahead of our family, friends, jobs, sports, schoolwork, phones, TV, computers.)**

9. How did Jesus change Peter's life? (Gave Peter power to heal, even raise the dead. Wrote 2 books in Bible. Preached and led 3000 people to faith in 1 day!)

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1. Romans 12:1-2 Who Is God?

- Shows great mercy – doesn't give us what we deserve v.1
- Kind and good to us v.1
- Wants a response from people v.1
- God is very pleased when we give him our lives v.1 ("acceptable", "well-pleasing")
- Wants us to be different from our culture! v.2
- Changes us into a new person by changing our thinking v.2
- Changes us from inside out. Starts with our minds!
- His will is good, pleasing, and perfect v.2

Who Is Man?

- Paul pleads with Romans to respond to God's mercy v.1
- Can give our bodies, lives to God as a living sacrifice v.1
- Can give our everyday life God as an offering. Live for him 24/7!
- We give God true worship God by surrendering our lives to Him v.1
- Can copy behavior, values, and customs of world v.2
- Can let world squeeze us into its mold. Accept what culture tells us.
- Have wrong thinking. Need to change way we think. v.2
- We'll recognize God's will if we think like God does

So What?

- Have I given God ALL of me?
- Do I copy the behavior and customs of the world?
- Does the world squeeze me into its mold?
- Will I dare to be different?
- Will I allow God to change me by changing my thinking?
- Do I know God's will for my life?

2. Luke 5:1-11 Who Is Jesus?

- Preaches to a huge crowd v.1
- When one method is not working, Jesus is flexible and changes v.2-3
- Sees 2 empty boats
- Teaches crowd from boat v.3
- Rewards Simon by taking him fishing v.4
- Says that they will catch some fish v.4
- Knows more than expert fishers!
- Provides miraculous catch of fish. Catch of lifetime! Nets are tearing!
- Generous!
- Gives Peter, James, John a new mission in life- to fish for people v.10

Who Is Man?

- Pressing in, pushing to get close. Hungry to hear message from God
- Fishermen. Washing nets. Simon owns boat.
- Peter allows Jesus to use his boat to teach crowds v.3
- Fished all night. Caught nothing. V.5
- Questions Jesus. Thinks he knows more. Expert at fishing!
- Peter agrees to do as Jesus says v.5
- Peter worships on knees v. 8
- Tells Jesus to go away. Sinful. v.8
- Shocked, surprised, amazed at great catch. See Jesus' power!
- Afraid v.10
- Say YES to Jesus
- Peter leaves everything and follows Jesus. He's ALL IN! v.11
- Responds to Jesus' kindness!

So What?

- Do I put Jesus first? Is he more important than my schoolwork, my job, my friends? Ask Him to help you put Him first.
- Do I let him drive my car? Do I say YES to Him?
- Do I know that Jesus' power? He can provide abundantly for me too!