

Love Jesus

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On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, ²and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had [climbed] out of them and were [now] washing their nets. ³[So Jesus got] into one of the boats, which was Simon [Peter's] - he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. ⁴And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."⁵ And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets."⁶ And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. ⁷They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they [both] began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord."⁹ For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching [people]."¹¹ And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him. Luke 5:1-11

Two questions about Peter's encounter with Jesus:

1. What possessed Jesus to choose these men, who were clearly not the best and the brightest?
2. What would possess Peter to follow Jesus whose credentials were sketchy at best?

Peter's Eucatastrophe –

Scott's recommendation on taking your next step with Jesus:

Apprenticeship with Jesus (A 30 Day Experience) by Gary W. Moon