



HOME GROUP STUDY

2nd August 2026

Series: JESUS MOVES IN POWER: Jesus calls disciples

Mark 1: 16-27

16 Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. **17** And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men." **18** And immediately they left their nets and followed him. **19** And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. **20** And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him. **21** And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. **22** And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. **23** And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, **24** "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." **25** But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" **26** And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. **27** And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."

Verse 16: What does this verse tell you about Jesus' approach to evangelism?

Verse 17: Which of the three components of Jesus' call in verse 17 stuck out for you? Why?

What does it mean to become a fisher of men? Can you give an example from your own experience or a story from the New Testament?

Verse 18 – 20: The actions of Simon, Andrew, James and John were immediate. What might have been the cost of this action? Can you share with the group an experience where following Jesus has meant a costly decision?

V 21 - 22: What do you think was the significance of Jesus taking his new followers to the synagogue? Is there a lesson that we can learn from his action?

V23 – 27: Jesus demonstrates his power by a spectacular healing of a man with an unclean spirit. What was the bystanders reaction?

What is our reaction when we hear a testimony of how God has worked in a person's life?



Finally, a repeat of the questions that were asked at the end of the sermon:

- 1. Do we know ourselves to be a kingdom person – someone who has responded to the call of Jesus 'Follow me'?**
- 2. Do we understand that our independence will be impaired by the obligations of fellowship in the gospel.**
- 3. Do we realise that our life-style will have to afford room for the Jesus who has called us and in our busy-ness, to create space for him. So we will find time to pray; read his word and be still before him.**
- 4. Do we actually know that we can daily ask for the gift of the Holy Spirit to fill our lives?**