



Sermon Notes: Go Fish

1. The Marks of True Discipleship:

- a. Counterintuitive obedience.
- b. Contrition.
- c. Complete abandonment.
- d. Commitment.

2. The Master of True Discipleship:

- a. Jesus commands and controls the impossible.
- b. Jesus draws near in grace when you confess the truth about yourself.
- c. Jesus is Lord of your worship and your work.



Application Questions: Go Fish

1. How did you speak words that encouraged, liberated, healed, and equipped this week? (Or how did you choose to do the opposite – using your words to attack, accuse, and discourage another?) How did it make you feel to speak like this? What happened?
2. Put yourself in Peter's place. How would you feel if you realized Jesus was calling you literally to leave everything and follow him? Is Jesus calling you to this? Is Jesus calling everyone to this?
3. Of the 4 marks of true discipleship, which comes most naturally to you? Which is the most difficult for you? (What are some ways you tend to short circuit true discipleship?)
4. As you compare/contrast the marks of discipleship with the American Church in general, what do you observe?
5. Put the following 3 lines in the correct order and then explain your answer:
 - "but"
 - God's Word
 - my objection
6. Think about this metaphor: In what ways are you willing to let God borrow your boat for a couple hours but unwilling to lose the boat altogether?
7. What have you actually abandoned – counted as a total loss – in order to follow Christ? What is so important to you or your identity that you've taken it with you to follow Christ?
8. Why is it just as important to see the *Master* of discipleship as it is to see the *marks* of discipleship? If you strive for the marks without the Master, what are you doing?
9. How is Peter's miraculous catch of fish an illustration of Gospel ministry? What are the two sides – and what must each do in order for "fishing for men" to be a success?
10. What one specific thing will you do in response to the message this week?