

# When The Fish Won't Bite



**Text: Luke 5:1-11**

## **I. Introduction**

- Luke uses the Greek word *kopos* to describe the way Simon felt
- *Kopos* means “beaten up, struck down, weary from toil or trouble, suffering, pain, weariness”

## **II. It Was During A Time Of Failure That Jesus Confronts Simon**

- He was searching for and struggling with his identity
- Have you ever felt as though you were a failure?

## **III. Jesus Did Not Allow Simon's Failure To Prevent Him From Becoming The Leader Of The Twelve Apostles**

- How Peter's failure at fishing turned into a success
- But then he walked away from it all

## **IV. When Jesus Announced He Had Other Plans For Peter, He Instantly Left The Only Livelihood He Knew**

- The parallel between the prophet Isaiah and Peter
- *“I have noticed that the holier a person becomes, the more fully he is aware of his own sinfulness and worthlessness”* - C.S. Lewis
- Prayer is the key to Heaven

## **V. Conclusion**

- A challenge and a promise