

Day 2

Read Luke 5:1-11, 27-32

As you read through Luke 5:1-11, 27-32, look for the location of where the men were when Jesus invited them to join Him.

Notice anything they have in common?

In both situations, Jesus came to find the men where they were already hard at work. Some of them were fishermen, desperate after a fish-less night at work. Matthew (Levi) was doing his job as a tax collector when Jesus invited him to follow.

There was also a lot they didn't have in common—their jobs, their status in the community, and even what they believed about how Jesus would overthrow the Roman government. Jesus invited a group of people who were totally different from each other to follow Him and help spread the news of God's kingdom.

The truth is, Jesus didn't actually NEED people to do the work God had planned for Him. He could have chosen to do it all alone, but instead, He chose to invite others into God's plan to save the world. And now they had a new challenge. . . how to work together to make Jesus known to the world.

Day 3

Where in your life do you think you could work with others?

You might be great at doing something on your own. But God designed us to work together. We weren't created to live our lives alone. Personalize this prayer and then read it out loud, asking God to help you find ways you can work with others.

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"Dear God, thank You for making us to live with others. Life would be so boring if we had to do it alone! I know I can accomplish a lot on my own, but I can do so much more when I work with others. I believe you would want me to work with others, especially when it comes to \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ This week, help me to **join with/ invite** others to \_\_\_\_\_ (circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_. In Jesus' Name, I pray.

**Amen."**

## Day 4

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Grab a note pad and pen to keep with you today.

Every time you get a chance, pull it out and poll the people you're with. Ask them to answer this question:

**When have you seen people work together?**

Try to ask at least five different people. Write down their answers.

Then, if time allows, ask your interviewees how they think cooperation made that particular event/activity a success. Jot down notes so you remember what they said. Save all your notes—they might come in handy this month!



## Day 5

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This month, you're going to assemble a plan we'll call the "Cooperation Challenge."

As you learn more about cooperation all month long, you'll be able to build a master plan for maximum cooperation. We know that **Jesus wants us to work together**, so this plan will help you become more like Jesus as you work with others!

Kick off your plan creation by gathering supplies. If you are a pen and paper kind of person, you might want to ask your grownup for a poster board and some fun markers and stickers and such. If you are more into the digital world, you can use a computer and simply type your plan—or use fun software like Canva to make it extra-fancy. Divide whatever you're using into four quadrants, and at the top, write "Cooperation Challenge" in a fun font or color.

The next step for your plan is to recruit help to make the plan—after all, **Jesus wants us to work together**. Whenever your family is all together today, explain the plan—to make a plan together about how to work together! Figure out a time each week when you can meet to add more to the plan. (This might mean you need to skip ahead to Day 5 depending on when you plan to meet, but that's okay!) Once everyone agrees on a time and place, you're done with Phase 1 of the Cooperation Challenge!