

## Launch

*“If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.”*

*- African proverb*

## Start a team

Jesus started his ministry by calling a team and giving them a specific vision: “Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.” Before we launch into ministry, we should carefully follow Jesus’ example.

Jesus called his team, his disciples, on a mission. He didn’t call them to a church (a gathered community), but He called them as a sent community.

The vision Jesus gave his team was to make them fishers of men. This meant that Jesus would make them disciple makers. All they had to do was follow Him in obedience.

Once your team is in place, you can start on the mission as a team. Mission is not something we start, it is something God started and we join. Mission is participating in God’s love for people.

## Consider

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*Think about your friends, co-workers and family. Who is God leading you to approach? Who could be on a team with you?*

## Discuss

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*What teams have you participated in? What were some of the highlights and some of the struggles of working in team?*

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## Discovery: Jesus starts a Team

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**Read and meditate** on the following passages of Scripture:

Luke 5:27-32

Luke 6:12-16

What can you learn from these passages as you carefully read them?

How does Jesus **call and select** his team of disciples?

Write down **how** you can **imitate** what Jesus does:

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