

Excuses, Excuses, Excuses

Rev. Victor Ramoy | Luke 5:1-11

Watch

Watch the sermon. As you watch, take notes on anything that stands out to you. Pay careful attention to the context of the biblical text, insights and principles highlighted, and any supporting scripture mentioned.

**** KEY TAKEAWAYS ****

Excuses followers of Jesus make, often to feel safe and comfortable, but also hold us back from experiencing the breakthroughs, blessings, and the intentions God has for us:

- The circumstances and timing aren't ideal
- Imperfect feelings
- Feeling of unworthiness
- Unwillingness to step out of our comfort zones

Talk It Through

1. Can you think of a time you almost talked yourself out of doing something because it didn't feel like the right moment? What happened when you finally took that step? Why do you think we often wait for perfect conditions before obeying God?
2. What does Peter's story teach you about God's timing and how He works through less-than-ideal circumstances? And what does his response—"Nevertheless, at Your word, I will"—show you about what real faith looks like?
3. Which of these excuses do you relate to most—bad timing, imperfect feelings, unworthiness, or fear of discomfort? How has it held you back from following God's leading?
4. How might your perspective or priorities need to shift so you can say "yes" to God more quickly the next time He calls? What's one small step of obedience you can take this week, even if the timing doesn't feel right or you don't feel ready?

Pray

Close your time together with prayer.