The Fishers

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*Episode III: All at Sea*

Adam I still think he’s a nutter.

Josh But lots of people are following him. Even today one teacher of the law said “I will follow you wherever you go”.

Adam Yes, and what did Jesus answer: “foxes have holes and birds have nests but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head”? I mean, what is all that about? And who exactly is the Son of Man?

Josh I think he just meant that following him is no picnic.

Adam Too right it isn’t. There’s never enough food to go round.

Josh It’s not his fault if people don’t bring along enough supplies. He can’t be expected to feed 5000 or so people.

Adam I don’t see why not – if he’s the great miracle worker he claims to be.

Beth Adam, Josh come quickly, Jesus has got a job for you.

Adam What are you talking about Beth? How can he have a job for us?

Lydia It’s true, he wants to go on a boat across the Sea of Galilee and they’re calling for volunteers to help sail it.

Adam So?

Lydia Well you and Josh are fishermen aren’t you? You’ve both done loads of sailing.

Josh I suppose it could be interesting to meet Jesus.

Beth Yes go on Adam, you could make yourself useful for a change rather than just moping around being miserable.

Adam Oh all right. At least we’ll be able to get away from nagging sisters and their friends.

Lydia Good on you, Adam. And you, Josh. Take care.

Beth Bye.

Adam/Josh Bye.

# ON BOAT

Josh I don’t like the look of those clouds. It looks like a storm’s brewing.

Adam Too right, Josh. No wonder they wanted help sailing the boat. I reckon we’re in for a Sea of Galilee special. It’ll be hang on tight and pray.

Josh Do you reckon it will be that bad?

Adam I don’t reckon. I know. We’re in for a rough ride.

ON SHORE (strong wind)

Beth Oh, I hope the boys are all right. Look at that storm.

Lydia I’m sure they’ll be fine. They’re both experienced sailors.

Beth But storms on the Sea of Galilee can be ferocious. We should never have persuaded them to go. I’ll never forgive myself if anything happens to them. I’ve got this horrible premonition that Adam is going to die.

Lydia Don’t be silly, Beth. Adam will be fine and so will Josh. After all they are with Jesus.

Beth But he’s a carpenter – what does he know about sailing? *[sobs]* Oh Lydia, I’m so worried.

Lydia Remember what Jesus said about not worrying. Adam and Josh are in safe hands.

ON BOAT (storm)

Josh Careful Adam, hang on.

Adam I thought I was a gonner then. I’ve never known it be this rough.

Josh I’m sure the boat is about to break up. We’re all going to drown.

Adam Have you seen what Jesus is doing?

Josh Praying I should think, All the rest of us are. It’s our only hope.

Adam No, he’s asleep.

Josh Asleep?

Adam Yep, fast asleep.

Josh He can’t be. Someone ought to wake him up. He’s certainly a cool customer.

Adam Or a complete nutter – as I’ve been saying all along. Here we are all about to drown and he’s sleeping like a baby.

# ON SHORE (After the storm)

Beth There they are. Thank goodness. Oh Adam I was so worried about you.

Lydia And Josh I’m so glad you’re OK. Oh what a relief.

Josh *[Surprised but pleased]* I didn’t know you cared so much, Lydia.

Adam Nor did I. I think you’d better watch yourself there Josh.

Lydia *[Embarrassed]* Well, we are best friends. Wouldn’t you expect me to care? And anyway, we were worried about both of you. We thought you might drown.

Adam Well we would have done if it hadn’t been for Jesus.

Beth Why what did he do? Did he sail the boat?

Adam No, he calmed the storm.

Beth Calmed the storm? What are you on about?

Adam Well to start with he was fast asleep.

Josh Yeah, even with the storm raging he was snoring away as peaceful as anything.

Adam Then one of the sailors woke him and said “Lord, save us, we’re going to drown.”

Lydia What did he do?

Adam Well, he got up – turned to the wind and the waves and said “Quiet, be still.”

Beth And what happened?

Adam Well the storm stopped just like that.

Josh It was incredible. You should have been there.

Lydia That’s amazing. It must have been a coincidence.

Adam No, I don’t reckon it was.

Beth How do you mean?

Adam Well I was there. I saw it happen and I’m dead certain that the wind and the waves did what Jesus told them.

Lydia Oh, you’ve changed your tune.

Adam Yeah, maybe I have, but what I saw in the boat really struck me.

Josh Yeah, it was awesome. Such power. It was wicked. We’ve really got to check this guy out.

Adam Yeah man.

Beth That’s what we’ve been saying all along.

*THE END*