

The Joy of Fishing With Jesus

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Luke 5

(1) One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the people crowding around him and listening to the word of God, (2) he saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets.

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(3) He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

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1. He follows the Lord at all times.

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(4) When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." (5) Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything.

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If you are feeling the temptation to quit, it is probably because you are doing exactly what Jesus has called you to do. He doesn't call us to works we can do but works that He alone can do through us.

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The one who doesn't give up wins.

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(5) Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. **But because you say so, I will let down the nets."**

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2. He worships the Lord for all blessings.

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(6) When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break.
(7) So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink....

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(9)...he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken,

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(8) When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!"

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(10) Then Jesus said to Simon [Peter], "Don't be afraid;

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This the beauty of the gospel. When you fail Jesus most miserably, this is when Jesus is most accessible. The moment you think He should walk away from you, that is when He gently extends hand toward you.

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3. He announces hope to all people

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(10) Then Jesus said to Simon [Peter], "Don't be afraid; from now on you will catch men."

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(10) From now on you'll be fishing for the
souls of men!" (TLB)

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"six bass, four blue fish, and three humans."

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“It’s not everyday you save someone’s life. It’s a good feeling.”

- Charlie Stamm,

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Jude 23

(23) snatch others from the fire and save them;

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Commitment is never real until it leads to mission.

- Elton Trueblood

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4. He gives the Lord all things

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(11) So they pulled their boats up on shore,
left everything and followed him.

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We're the whole realm of nature mine, that
were a present far too small.

Love so amazing so divine.
Demands my life, my soul, my all.

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Matthew 22

(37) Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’³⁸ (38) This is the first and greatest commandment.