#### **BE A BRINGER**

"40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus...."

John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

# PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;"	I Samuel 12:23a



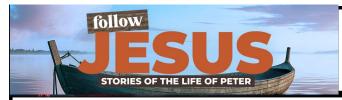
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#### PRAISE

- Praise God for a short time of refreshing back on the east coast with family
- Praise God for a new pastor for Grace Navajo Baptist Church, Brother Joshua Clark. The church voted unanimously in favor of calling this young man and his family to the church.
  - Praise God for the birth of a grandchild, born to Ted and Tonie's son and daughter-in-law.

#### PRAY

- Pray for Ted and Tonie's daughter, Tara. She has been diagnosed with stage two breast cancer.
- Pray for God's guidance and protection for the Farris' family and for the ministries in New Mexico.



Handout: 10/12/25

Study Date: 10/19/25

# **Cast Your Nets: A Story Of Provision**

The verse Luke 5:5 from the King James Version (KJV) of the Bible reads, "And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net." This verse occurs within the passage in which Jesus calls his first disciples, and it holds several layers of meaning and significance.

First, it is important to understand the context in which this verse is situated. In Luke 5:1-11, Jesus is preaching on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, and a crowd is pressing in to hear him. The fishermen, Simon (later called Peter), James, and John have been out all night fishing and have caught nothing. Jesus asks Simon to let down his net, and Simon initially hesitates, stating that they have toiled all night without success. However, he ultimately trusts Jesus's word and lets down the net anyway, resulting in a miraculous catch of fish.

This passage reveals several important themes. One of the key themes is the concept of faith and trust in Jesus. Simon initially doubts the effectiveness of letting down the net, given the lack of success they have experienced thus far. However, he ultimately decides to obey Jesus's command, demonstrating faith and trust in his words. This act of faith is rewarded with a miraculous catch of fish, highlighting the power and authority of Jesus.

Another important theme is the transformative power of Jesus's call. In this passage, Jesus not only calls Simon and his companions to be his disciples but also demonstrates his ability to bring about radical change and transformation in their lives. The miraculous catch of fish serves as a sign of Jesus's authority and power, marking the beginning of a new journey for Simon and the other fishermen.

Additionally, the obedience of Simon in letting down the net serves as a symbol of the importance of faith and trust in following Jesus. Despite his initial doubts, Simon ultimately chooses to obey Jesus's command, and this act of obedience leads to a transformative encounter with Jesus.

This verse also highlights the concept of divine provision. The miraculous catch of fish not only serves as a sign of Jesus's authority but also as a demonstration of God's abundant provision for those who trust in him. Despite the fishermen's lack of success during the night, Jesus's intervention leads to an abundance of fish, emphasizing the idea of God's provision in response to faith and obedience.

Resource: bible.art

#### **KEY VERSE**

Luke 5:5 (NKJV)

But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net.".

Read Luke 5:1-11 Every Day

#### WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Luke 5:1-2, 5; Matthew 6:31-32

#### Jesus Knows Your Needs Before You Do

- 1. What spiritual lesson does Peter learn from the events of Luke 5:5? What did he say before dropping his net? What did he learn from the outcome?
- 2. In Matthew 6:31 Peter is assured that all of his physical needs will be met. *Who* will provide for Peter and all of us according to verse 32?

#### Tuesday: Luke 5:3; Matthew 6:33

#### Jesus Provides For Your Needs When You Turn Towards Him

- 3. Jesus gets into Peter's boat and asks him to "put out a little from the land." How did this aid Jesus in speaking to "the multitudes?" (Luke 5:3)
- 4. There is a clear *promise* that Matthew 6:33 is offering us as believers, but what must we "seek first" to attain it?

## Wednesday: Luke 5:4-5; Romans 10:17; Mark 6:3

### Jesus Provides For Your Needs Through Obedience

- 5. Despite "toiling all night" and catching nothing, ultimately, what does Peter do when Jesus tells him to cast his nets again? (Luke 5:4-5)
- 6. What message should we be receiving from Romans 10:17? What is it communicating to us in regard to diligently pursuing God's Word?

## Thursday: Luke 5:6-9; II Thessalonians 3:10-12

#### Jesus Provides For Your Needs Both Naturally And Supernaturally

- 7. Luke 5:6 states; "when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish." Would YOU define this as a "supernatural" act from Jesus?
- 8. What does II Thessalonians 3:10 say about those that "will not work?" What will be the result of that according to the verse?
- 9. Looking back over let's say the last six months, can YOU recall a time or incident when Jesus provided for you both naturally and supernaturally?

#### Friday: Luke 5:10-11; I Peter 1:18-20; II Peter 3:18

### **Jesus Provides For Your Needs To Grow Your Maturity**

- 10. After bringing up the fish for Peter, what then does Jesus *call* him to in Luke 5:10-11? What will Peter *now* be a fisher of?
- 11. What is I Peter 1:18-20 teaching us about our salvation and the sacrifice Jesus made? How often do YOU contemplate the cost of redemption?
- 12. II Peter 3:18 delivers a very simple message. That being said, how can we continue to "grow in the grace and understanding of our Lord?"