

# Life To The Full With Jesus

*“One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the people crowding around him and listening to the word of God, he saw at the water’s edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. 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. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.” 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.” When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. 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. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus’ knees and said, “Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!” For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon’s partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will catch men.” So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.” (Luke 5:1-11)*

There was a large crowd gathered around Jesus to hear the Word of God. And the Lord as He was preaching to them, He noticed two boats nearby and the fishermen were there washing their nets. As we have read in the passage that the fishermen they were not able to catch any fish at the previous night and now they are washing their nets. That washing of the nets usually they do after they finish fishing; they will not only wash the nets but also they will check if there are big holes or tears in the nets so they will repair them and prepare them for the next catch.

The Lord Jesus Christ knowing about these fishermen, their story and their difficulties in life and He wanted to enter their lives and bless them. So, **“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.” (Luke 5:3)** The Lord got into one of the boats, He used the boat as a place from it He can speak and teach the people the Word of God. As well as He moved to the boat in order to bless Peter and those who are with Him. He knew their difficult life and he knew the dilemma that they were in. They were working hard, sleepless whole night, throwing nets and pulling nets but no result. They have families, wives and children who want from them the life’s requirements. They were expecting a good catch from fish but it turn to be nothing. Morning comes but they have nothing to sell. The time for sleep and rest come but they have nothing for them and their families to eat, and had nothing to cover the financial needs. This might be your situation now, you are tired and haggard and you have many requirements need to be satisfied. At these critical and embarrassing moments in your life, and at this time while you are in a whirlwind Jesus want to enter your life to help you as he wanted to help those fishermen.

The Lord says, **“Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.” (Luke 5:4)** Simon Peter loves God as you love Him. But there is no much faith in Jesus; He would not believe that Jesus could change that day to be a day of blessing, prosperity and relief. Your life is difficult and you had laboured and you are still in hardship. But Jesus knows your situation and He wants to help you, so trust Him, obey Him and take the step of faith and obey what He asks you to do. Don’t be afraid to put into deep water and don’t be discouraged, have faith in God, Jesus is with you.

Take the step of faith and obey the Lord, you will surely be blessed and you will have a big catch of what you want and what you desire, exactly to what had happened to Simon and the group of fishermen who were with him.

**“When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus’ knees and said, “Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!” (Luke 5:8)** Doubts, too much worries, excessive anxieties, insecurities and lack of faith all are sins because it contradict the life of faith that we are instructed to live. You need to believe God and what He is saying to you. The Lord Jesus said, **“Don’t be afraid,”** He is not accusing you but He wants to correct you and lead you in the way that you need to go. He wants you to live the life that He wants you to live, the life of faith in Him. He wants to bless you in three aspects of your life:

**1- Spiritual blessings:** In form of repentance from doubts, and building you in the true faith in Jesus and your full trust in Him. That faith would enable you to go on in life and sustains you fully during trials and hardship.

**2- Material blessings:** Jesus wants to fill all your nets with material blessings. Jesus wants to bring you blessings from all the possible resources; job, business, investment, etc.

**3- Deliverance from your troubles:** What is now disturbing your mind? Jesus wants to snatch you and takes you out from all your troubles. One day you will testify about that.

**My Dear and Beloved: “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will catch men.”** Says the Lord to you. He wants you to testify to others of His goodness and faithfulness. He is freeing you from all your troubles and He wants you to catch men and bring them to Him. So trust Him leave everything behind and follow Him as you agree to pray.

**My Prayer:** *Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins and rose from the death on the third day to give me eternal life. Lord thank you that you entered my life and my dilemmas and troubles. Lord I confess before you my anxieties, doubts and weak faith. Lord strengthens me and helps me to overcome all of my unbelief, and to trust you wholeheartedly during the most difficult and critical circumstances of my life. Lord I commit myself to go and catch men and bring them to you. This all I what ask and pray in Jesus name, Amen.*