

Written in Red - Week 3  
Luke 5:1-11 (NKJV)

5 So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, 2 and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets. 3 Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat.

4 When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."

5 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." 6 And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. 7 So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. 8 When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!"

9 For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; 10 and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men." 11 So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

For God to move us and use us, He goes straight for our COMFORT ZONE.

Jesus asked if He could use Peter's platform to accomplish His purpose.

Will you help me help people? Will you help me make a difference?

The mental strain of no reward for your hard work, makes your hard work twice as hard.

You feel like your way of life is netting you nothing.

It's one thing for Jesus to jump in your boat and want to do what He does, but it's quite another for Him to jump in your boat and want to get involved in what you do.

Jesus was challenging what they had always known and what they had always done.

God is always trying to get more of what He has for us to us, but to do that He will always have to move us.

God knows us better than we know ourselves

Jesus got right in their world, right in their routine, right in their comfort zone, and He challenged them to move—to Launch Out!.

When it's time for God to move, He moves people.

God is always on the move, and a relationship with God demands that we be on the move with Him.

We want to set up camp and put down roots.

When God is working in your life; He is moving you from where you are to a new place.

A move of God in your life feels like God is moving your life.

Many times we run and hide from the very change we've been praying for because it looks so different than what we are used to.

When it's time to move, what was once comfortable becomes uncomfortable.

We find ourselves fighting to find comfort in something that doesn't fit anymore.

With new revelation comes a new destination, and a new destination demands that we move in a new direction.

Luke 5:4-11 (NKJV)

Peter's focus shifted—He saw his purpose for the first time.

He was no longer just working to make a living; he was working to make a difference.

Jesus is saying "Launch out!"

I know you've got trash in your net, I know you've fished all night, but God is looking for someone to say, "Nevertheless, at YOUR WORD!"

Philippians 3:12-14 (NKJV)

12 Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. 13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, 14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.