



The MIRACLE MAKER

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“The Miraculous
Catch of Fish”
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The Miracle Maker always **surprises**.

Luke 5:1-7

So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets. 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.

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

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.” And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. 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.

Jesus meets us in **our need**.

Matthew 9:1-7

*Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed over and came to his own town. Some men brought to him a paralyzed man, lying on a mat. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man, “**Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.**”*

At this, some of the teachers of the law said to themselves, “This fellow is blaspheming!”

*Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, “**Why do you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts? Which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk’? But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.**” So he said to the paralyzed man, “Get up, take your mat and go home.” Then the man got up and went home.*

Though **doubtful**, the fishermen **obey** Jesus.

When Jesus **intervenes**, it leads to **worship**.

Luke 5:8-10a

When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!” For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon.

Jesus **demonstrates** that there is a catch **more important** than fish.

Luke 5:10b-11

*And Jesus said to Simon, “**Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.**” So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.*

Let's go fishing!