

# THE GOSPEL

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## OF JESUS CHRIST Born Of The HOLY SPIRIT

### PEOPLE PRESSED UPON JESUS TO HEAR THE WORD

Matthew 4:18 "And JESUS, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the Sea: for they were fishers. (JESUS had already met them, and spoke to Simon (his common Greek name), JESUS Called him Cephas: a stone. (then JESUS surnamed him Peter in Mark 3:16). Andrew: Manly. Andrew's name is mentioned 13 times during his discipleship and Apostleship. (Andrew earlier introduced Simon to JESUS in John 1:40-42 Where JESUS Said to Simon, "Thou art Simon the son of Jona: thou shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, a stone. It would not be until JESUS had trained Simon and Ordained the 12 that He surnamed him Peter: a stone. See Mark 3:16 "And Simon HE surnamed Peter). They were brothers in the Faith, and by family, and had already spent some time with JESUS in Judaea, Samaria, and Galilee, but now back to their Business of Fishing, as we see them doing here. Simon Peter's name would be mentioned 49 times throughout his discipleship and Apostleship. A stone is a hard solid substance found in the ground that is useful for building. JESUS, would make Apostles the foundation stones of His Church).

4:19 "And He said to them, Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men. (these young men were ambitious fishermen, but JESUS said to

them, come behind Me and I will make you fishers of men. They would now follow closely and learn, so they could work with JESUS in His Father's Business).

4:20 "And they straightway left their nets, and followed Him. (Andrew and Peter recognized the Call, and immediately left their nets and followed: to be in the same way with Him. A complete Identification with JESUS Ministry from now on).

4:21 "And going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and He called them. (John had been a follower of Jesus, see John 1:35-40. Since John is writing his Gospel, he does not mention his own name at all. But John and Andrew were followers of John the Baptist, until John pointed JESUS out to them. He had already spent time with JESUS, but JESUS also wanted to call his brother James).

4:22 "And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed Him. (John, having already met JESUS and followed Him, had probably told his brother James about the Miracles he saw. So they were ready to leave father and ship to respond immediately to His calling of them).

Mark 1:16 "Now as He walked by the sea of Galilee, He saw Simon

and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.

1:17 "And JESUS Said unto them, Come ye after Me, and I will make you to become fishers of men. (the only words added to become: ginomai = to cause to become. JESUS would be their cause in fishing for men). Now 1:18 "And straightway they forsook their nets and followed Him. (Now finish reading 1:19-20. We see that Zebedee had wage workers to help him fish).

NOW WE SEE THE RESULTS OF MINISTRY:

Luke 5:1 "And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon Him to hear the Word of God, He stood by the lake Gennesaret (Galilee). (Now we see why JESUS is Calling His disciples. The people were pressing upon: epikeimai = to rest, lie or be laid upon Him. To hear the Word of God. I believe they were also bringing their sick and their children to his lap to hear about God and be healed).

Lets look at another occasion in Mark 3:9-10 "And He spoke to His disciples, that a small ship should wait on Him because of the multitude, lest they should throng Him. For He had healed many; inso-much that they pressed upon: (epipto = to fall upon) Him for to touch Him, as many as had plagues. ---Page 2 below

## JESUS USED THE FISHERMEN WITH THEIR BOATS.

We read on the previous page how the people were pressing upon JESUS.

**Luke 5:1** "And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon Him to hear the Word of GOD, He stood by the Lake Gennesaret. (Galilee).

**Luke 5:2** "And saw 2 ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. (rinsing off their nets).

**5:3** "And He entered into one of their ships, which was Simon's, and asked him that he would launch out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the people out of the ship. (People: ochlos = crowd of people. Here we see His wisdom. Now He was not crowded, but could teach from the boat. And I'm sure His voice carried a long ways onto the shore were multitudes were pressing Him to hear. But later JESUS would also help Simon)

**5:4** "Now when He had left speaking, He Said unto Simon, **Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.** (draught: agra = a haul of fish. Not just a few).

**5:5** "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. (Master: epistates, ep-is-tat'-ace = Commander. Now the disciples are learning the Power of the Commander's Word.

This also speaks of the disciples Toil and LACK OF Success apart from JESUS. We have Toiled: kopiao, kop-ee-ah'-o = to feel fatigue by working hard, be wearied. The disciples were wearied by fishing all night long, on their own, and taking in not even one fish; but now the Commander had come to help them, by giving them His Word Of Command.

Some days we wake up and jump right into our Business, without first asking JESUS, about what He wants us to do. Or asking our Father about what Business He wants us to take care of. In this situation, we see that JESUS has Business that He needed help to do first, and He needed Simon and his boat to serve Him. Sometimes our days are spent thinking all about our needs, when we need to be asking JESUS what He needs us to do for Him, and His Father's Business. JESUS Business was Fishing for men, women and children with God's Word. That is called Evangelism, and that is what He asks of us, as well. Sharing the GOOD NEWS of Salvation offered to the whole world. We should always be willing to respond as Simon did, **Nevertheless at Thy Word I Will Let Down: chalao, khal-ah'-o = let down, loose, to lower, as into a void for a strike. Chalao is from the root base Chasma: khas'-mah = Gulf, Chasm Impassable. the net: diktyon, dik'-toon = to cast a seine for fishing. Christians tend to think it is hard to reach people today, that there is to great a gulf between us and the unsaved. but All we need to do is cast the net and tell people what JESUS did for us. How He Saved us, and how His Spirit lives in us during our daily walk over so many years.**

How JESUS gives abundant life, even the promise of Eternal Life in a Resurrected body. No one else offers Eternal Life).

**WHY DOES JESUS WANT SOULS?** When we get to **Luke 16:19** JESUS Words about the Rich man and Lazarus the beggar you will understand why every Soul who does not have **the Savior**, ends up in **Hell: Hades, hah'-dace = the place and state of departed souls. Hades is mentioned 10 times in the New Testament.** Then from there into the Lake of Fire. Revelation 19:20. 20:10, 14, 15. 21:8.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE LOST SOUL DIES AND GOES TO HADES? NO ONE CAN REACH THEM IN HADES. For now we will just read verse 26:

Luke 16:26 "And besides all this, between us and you there is a Great Gulf Fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. (Great: me-gas, meg'-as = very wide. Gulf: Chasma, khas'-mah = Chasm Impassable. Fixed: sterizo, stay-rid'-zo = to set fast, to turn resolutely in a certain direction. Neither can they Pass: diabaino, dee-ab-ah'-ee-no = to cross, come over, pass through to us, that would come here from that place (Hades). Now back to

Luke 5:6 "And when they had done this, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake. (Obedience brings rewards; now the net is full of fish. A great multitude: plethos, play'-thos = Fulness, Large number. More than their worn nets could haul in without some tearing).

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## THE FISHING REQUIRES PARTNERSHIP

Simon and Andrew's nets were filled to overflowing with fish, and the net was already breaking. They would need help from James and John to Save the Catch.

Luke 5:7 **"And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other Ship, that they should come and Help them. And they came and filled both Ships, so that they began to sink.** (**Beckoned:** kataneuo, kat-an-yoo'-o = to knock downwards. **Partners:** metochos, met'-okh-os = Participants. **Ship:** ploion, ploy'-on = a sailing vessel. This Greek word for Ship is mentioned 66 times in the Bible. **Help:** syllambano, sool-lam-ban'-o = to take hold at the same time, clasp, seize, aid, catch. They filled up both boats so full they began to sink. So we see the largeness of the **catch** that day with JESUS.

Luke 5:8 **"When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at JESUS' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.** (**Peter:** petros, pet'-ros = a stone. **JESUS** is the Petra: Rock.

Simon Peter said he was a **sinful:** hamartolos, ham-ar-to-los' = erring man. **Sin:** hamartano, ham-ar-tan'-o = to miss the mark, moral err, (and not share in the prize).

**Lord:** kyrios, koo'-ree-os = Supreme in Authority. The title **Lord** is mentioned 667 times. Antichrist beast number is only the numbers of man 666. Revelation 13:18.

But because JESUS is Lord God, He has the perfect number 7. JESUS is Son (6) of Man (6), and of GOD (7) **SO together 667.**

### OK LET'S GET BACK TO SIMON

I think Simon Peter felt convicted that he had been following JESUS, but then went back to his fishing, and didn't catch a thing without JESUS presence. Now he was back to Serving the Master, and caught more fish than he could handle.

Luke 5:9 **"For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:**

5:10 **"And so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And JESUS Said unto Simon, Fear not; from now on you shall catch men.**

(**Fear:** phobeo, fob-eh'-o = to cause fear, to terrify, be frightened. If Simon Peter was frightened by this catch, and boats weighed down near sinking; he would see the throngs of people pressing into JESUS as frightening. Simon Peter had to get over his fear of the crowds of people. Because JESUS told him, **Fear NOT; from now on YOU SHALL CATCH:** zogreo, dzogue-reh'-o = to catch alive **Men: Anthropos, anth'-ro-pos = man faced, human beings. Men, Women, and Children).**

Some people can look fearful. Some faces can look mean, some can snarl at you while you are fishing for them, but don't fear.

5:11 **"And when they had brought their Ships to land, they forsook all, and followed Him.** (These 4 fishermen have set a good example for us. Sometimes we have to forsake things, if we are really going to be disciples of JESUS. Some people will bounce back and forth, sometimes their walking with JESUS, sometimes they are seeking a place in the world. But when we are with the Lord, He can give us far more than the world.