

## Obedience

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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."

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. **Galatians 5:25** 

Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything." Luke 5:5a

Elisha sent a messenger to say to him, "Go, wash yourself seven times in the Jordan, and your flesh will be restored and you will be cleansed." But Naaman went away angry and said, "I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy. Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than any of the waters of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?" *So he turned and went off in a rage.* Naaman's servants went to him and said, "My father, if the prophet *had told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? HOW MUCH MORE*, then, when he tells you, 'Wash and be cleansed'!" So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy.

## 2 Kings 5:10-14

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." **Luke 5:5b** 

*Trust* in the LORD with *all your heart* and *lean not on your own understanding...* **Proverbs 3:5** 

His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." John 2:5

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*. **Luke 5:6**  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 5:11** 

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared *beforehand*, that we *should walk in them*. **Ephesians 2:10**