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Questions

1. When life becomes difficult, what is your natural response: fight harder, take control, withdraw, become discouraged, or turn toward God? What might God be inviting you to do differently?
2. What does it mean to “stand firm” when God has not yet changed the situation you are praying about?
3. Read Luke 5:4-5. Peter had worked all night and caught nothing, yet Jesus told him to put the nets back into the water. Why do you think obeying Jesus can sometimes feel uncomfortable or even unreasonable?
4. Jesus asked Peter to trust something beyond his own experience. How does your life experience, knowledge, or desire for control keep you from trusting God?
5. Read Luke 5:7-11. Jesus told Peter, “Don’t be afraid.” Where might God be asking you to move forward despite your fear?
6. Jesus is asking you to “put out into deep water” right now—to trust Him, obey Him, or step out in faith—what would it look like to say, “Because You say so, I will”?
7. When applying the revival practices to your everyday walk of faith, what area of your life needs more brokenhearted boldness? What would taking that next step of faith look like?

Scripture References

Read:

Luke 5:1
One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret,[a] the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God.

Luke 5:2-3
2 He saw at the water’s edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. 3 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 5:4-5
4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.” 5 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 5:6
When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break.

Luke 5:7-11
7 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. 8 When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus’

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knees and said, “Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!”
9 For he and all his companions were astonished at the
catch of fish they had taken, 10 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 fish for people.” 11 So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

Luke 5:20
When Jesus saw their faith, he said, “Friend, your sins are forgiven.”

Takeaways

- Jesus will ask you to do toilsome and uncomfortable things.
- If you want to experience all God has for you, you’ll have to obey Jesus when it’s uncomfortable and doesn’t make sense.
- Sometimes the very thing you can’t attain in life, it’s just one step of obedience away.
- You will have to leave something behind, to follow Jesus into the adventure He has for you.
- What is Jesus asking you to leave? (Anything that blocks your obedience)
- The Revival Practices
    - Urgent Posture
    - Ongoing Repentance
    - Kingdom Prayer
    - Brokenhearted Boldness
    - Raising the Next Generation
    - Decades, Not Days
- Choosing to go with Jesus when it hurts makes the difference between God’s best and a merely human life.
- What pain in your life – or the life of someone you know – could become the beginning of a miracle story.
- Who will you carry to Jesus in September?

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