Scripture Reading: Luke 5:1-11

Sermon Title: The Narrative: The catch, the change, the call

On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, ² and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets.³ Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat.⁴ And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵ And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." ⁶ And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. ⁷ 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 But 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 that they had taken, ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." ¹¹ And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him. Luke 5:1-11

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Line 7: And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.]

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Line 6: and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men."

[Line 3: And *Simon answered*, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets."

Line 5: But when *Simon Peter saw* it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord."]

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The catch:

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The change:

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Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O *Lord*."

And he arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf. ³⁹ And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them. Luke 4:38-39

the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God

and they were astonished at his teaching, for *his word possessed authority*. Luke 4:32

And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Isaiah 6:5

Encountering the heart of God produces a deeper change than just experiencing His hand

The call:

And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." ¹¹ And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

from now on you will be catching men

Jesus calls people from & He calls people for

And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Jesus is worthy & worth it

And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life. ³⁰ But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

Matthew 19:29-30

The call of Jesus, Be with Jesus, Become Like Jesus, Change the world

Receive the call

Remember the call (who called you & what He called you to)