## **Sermon Notes**

10-15-23 - Wk3 - #Jesusisthesubject - Put Down Your Nets -

Mark 1:16-45

- 16 As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen.
- 17 "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."
- 18 At once they left their nets and followed him.
- 19 When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets.
- 20 Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.
- 21 They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach.
- 22 The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law.
- 23 Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out,
- 24 "What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!"
- 25 "Be quiet!" said Jesus sternly. "Come out of him!" 26 The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek.
- 27 The people were all so amazed that they asked each other, "What is this? A new teaching—and with authority! He even gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him."
- 28 News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.
- 29 As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew.

- 30 Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her.
- 31 So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.
- 32 That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demonpossessed. 33 The whole town gathered at the door,
- 34 and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.
- 35 Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.
- 36 Simon and his companions went to look for him, 37 and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!"
- 38 Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come."
- 39 So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.
- 40 A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, "If you are willing, you can make me clean."
- 41 Jesus was indignant. He reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!"
- 42 Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cleansed. 43 Jesus sent him away at once with a strong warning:
- 44 "See that you don't tell this to anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them."
- 45 Instead he went out and began to talk freely, spreading the news. As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly but stayed outside in lonely places. Yet the people still came to him from everywhere.

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Are you a follower or fan?

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Ready to drop your nets?