

LAUNCH OUT INTO THE DEEP

LUKE 5:4 - 11

4 † Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, **LAUNCH** out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.

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.

6 † And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.

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 the ships, so that they began to sink.

8 † 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 was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:

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 henceforth thou shalt catch men.

11 † And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

FAILURE TO LAUNCH; note: God does not accept FEAR for an excuse.

MATTHEW 25:14 - 30

14 † ¶ For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.

15 † And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.

16 † Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents.

17 † And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two.

18 † But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

19 † After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.

20 † And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.

21 † His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

22 † He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them.

23 † His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

24 † Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed:

25 † And I was **AFRAID**, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine.

26 † His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

27 † Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

28 † Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents.

29 † For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

30 † And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

SPIRIT OF BONDAGE: A Slave to FEAR

ROMANS 8:15 - 18

15 † For ye have not received the **spirit of bondage** again to **FEAR**; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

16 † The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

17 † ¶ And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we **suffer** with him, that we may be also glorified together.

18 † For I reckon that the **sufferings** of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

SPIRIT OF FEAR

II TIMOTHY 1:7 - 9

7 † For God hath not given us the **SPIRIT OF FEAR**; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

8 † Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

9 † Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

EQUIPPED TO MEET THE CHALLENGE OF THIS DAY

62-0531 THE.CONFLICT.BETWEEN.GOD.AND.SATAN_ CLARKSVILLE.IN THURSDAY_

58 † God knew this great warfare was coming on, between right and wrong, and He knew what the enemy was going to do. **He knewed just exactly how to equip His people**. So if we notice, the very first thing that God **equipped** His children was... Being infinite, He knowed what it took to defeat Satan, any time, any place, anywhere, on any conditions. Now, He wouldn't say, "I'll give them something here, and then a few years later, I may study out something better to give them, and then after a few years later."

59 Like we, in military force, the old bow and arrow, and sledge, rock hammer, and then the next was a... After the bow and arrow, come the musket, and after the musket come the Springfield, and--and now the--the atomic weapons and things. See? We keep growing more.

60 † But, God, at the beginning, gave His children the atomic weapon, because He's the infinite God. Now, seeing there was going to be a conflict, and there was going to be a battle, God **equipped** His children with the right kind of ammunition, right kind of an attack, the right kind of everything that they had need of, that would sweep them all the way from Eden to the Rapture. What was it? The Word. The Word. That's what defeats Satan, is the Word. It'll defeat him anywhere, any place. Now, why do we want to substitute something else, when we've already got the best thing that there is, the Word?

61 And we find Jesus on earth, just to prove this was the best **equipment**, when Satan come in hand-to-hand combat with Jesus, He never just reached over with His Power and tied his hands. He just took the same weapon that God gave in the garden of Eden, His Word, and said, "It's written... It's written..." And He punched him right out of the ring, with It, that's right, because It's God's best.

62-0701 TO.TAKE.ON.THE.WHOLE.ARMOR.OF.GOD_ SANTA.MARIA.CA SUNDAY_

« E-95 † You stay there till God **equips** you with the baptism of the Spirit. Then everything you've got need of in this world or the world to come, lives right in you. The all wise God knowed how to **equip** His army. **He equipped it with the baptism of the Holy Ghost. That's exactly what He sent for these last days.**

He knew that we'd have to have it. He knew that people would reason, would go to reading this Word when it become in print out here, what would happen. And today we find the people saying, "Well now, where is that God of history? Where is that God that crossed the Red Sea? Where is that God that healed the sick?" They try to say, "It's back..."

SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH

MATTHEW 14:22 - 31

22 † ¶ And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away.

23 † And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone.

24 † But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary.

25 † And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, **walking** on the sea.

26 † And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for **FEAR**.

27 † But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, **Be of good cheer; it is I; be not AFRAID.**

28 † And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water.

29 † And he said, **Come.** And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he **walked** on the water, to go to Jesus.

30 † But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me.

31 † And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, **O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?**

TRYING TO WALK

60-0522M ADOPTION.3_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN AD.3 SUNDAY_

« 88 † How can you preach predestination of God, foreordaining and setting, unless there's a **SIN ATONEMENT** somewhere? Why is it each day you make a **mistake**, each day you **do wrong**? But if you're borned again, man or woman, as soon as you make the **mistake**, **God knows you're sorry for it**. You can stand in the Presence of--of President Roosevelt or anybody else and say, "I'm wrong; God forgive me for this thing." Why? And there's where the Blood atonement...

You notice that s-i-n-s. A sinner is a sinner; he does not commit sins. **But the church commits sin, does wrong**, gets a **wrong thought, wrong impression, makes scruples, wobbles** like a little child **WALKING**, trying to learn how to **WALK**. He just don't know how to **WALK** good yet, 'cause he's a little boy. But we have a hand that reaches down if we--gets us and steadies us, and say, **"Make this step this a-way, son."** He doesn't pick us up and spank us because we made a **mistake**; He doesn't beat us to death because we're trying to **WALK**. He loves us like we love our children.

« 90 † A real, real daddy wouldn't whip his child when he's trying to **WALK**, if he falls down on the floor. Reach right down with a big strong hand and pick him up, take both hands a hold of him, say, **"This is the way you do it, son. WALK like this."**

That's the way God does His church: reaches down and gets him in His arm, picks him up, and say, **"WALK like this, son. Here, don't--don't--don't say it like that; talk it like this. Now, I don't care what the church says, what this says, what that says, you say it like this...?..."** Like this, this is It. "My Word preaches it, you stay right with It, walk with It. Stay right with It. Don't care what everybody else says, stay right with It. **WALK like This. This is the way you make your steps."**

NIKE'S SLOGAN: "Don't Think About It; Don't Ask About It; Don't Talk About It; Don't Regret It; Just Do It"
"You've Got The Shoes; Now, Just Do It"

The Servant's Reward

One day, when you are in heaven, someone will come up to you to thank you for the way you touched their life with hope and encouragement. The person's words will take you by surprise. Soon another person will seek you out, and then another, and another.

As you listen to each one's story, you will begin to discover all the ways that God used your life when you were completely unaware of it. You will find that it was not only through the big things you did, but also through the small things---through a spoken word that was not planned, a spontaneous act of kindness, a loving attitude, or a simple prayer of concern.

To your joy, you will discover that in all these ways and more, God used you to deposit an eternal measure of His love into many needy hearts. -Roy Lessin