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“And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret, And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship. Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. 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. And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake. 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. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord. For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken: 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. And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

Luke 5:1-11 KJV

Jesus is preaching to the crowds near the lake and sees two boats. He gets Simon to take him to the edge of the lake and continues teaching the people in the presence of Simon who is sitting next to

him in his boat. Simon is listening closely to the world of God Jesus is speaking.

When Jesus is done, he asks Simon to let down his nets to catch some fish. Simon is very tired from fishing the last night when they caught nothing. Reusing the now clean nets would take some work, but after listening to Jesus he decides to do so at Jesus' words.

When we listen to the teachings of Jesus and take them to heart; we can be sure there will be some good results. Simon lets down the nets and they catch enough fish to fill both the boats.

To top it off, Jesus calls Simon to follow him and fish for people. Something in Jesus teaching has captured Simon's heart. Then after the catch of fish, Simon knows Jesus' teachings were more than words, and so he follows Jesus and learns from him. Jesus will do the same for you.



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FIRST STEP IS LISTENING