

You Can't Go Wrong With Jesus!!

Last week we talked about Peter who felt like he was a failure because he let Jesus down, and as a result of that, slid back into a previous version of himself.

I want to continue with that though today, but also introduce a new thought into this...

- As long as Peter was with Jesus,
- He was confident in himself...
- Things were just better...
- But when he was separated from Jesus
- He lost his confidence
- And he didn't like the results...

This makes me think of a verse in The Bible we should all be familiar with..
Philippians 4:13

“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”

Last week we talked about this verse:

John 21:3

“Simon Peter said to them, “**I am going fishing.**” They said to him, “We are going with you also.” They went out and immediately got into the boat, and that night **they caught nothing.**”

Peter decided to go back to something **he** knew and was good at
He went back to **his** old business of being a fisherman
And the others decided to join **him**

Now; Peter had been experiencing life with Christ...

But now, he's trying life without Christ... **doing it his way**

Let's see how his fishing trip is going...

John 21:4-5

“But when the morning had now come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Then Jesus said to them, “Children, **have you any food?**” They answered Him, “**No.**””

So, here are the professional fisherman, who have fished all night

- And caught nothing....

That was the result of trying to do it on their own... (their own strength
Now compare that verse with the next two verses: (with some help from
Jesus...)

John 21:6-7

“And He said to them, “Cast the net **on the right side** of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast, and now they were not able to draw it in because of the multitude of fish. Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment (for he had removed it), and plunged into the sea.”
They did what Jesus said and caught a bunch of fish!! (Phil. 4:13)
That's life with Christ (in His strength and understanding)

Notice Peter here:

They didn't know it was Jesus on the shore

But as soon as this happened, he knew...

He's like "come on guys...it's Jesus"

You see if you go back to Luke 5 you will find this wasn't the first time Jesus schooled Peter in fishing!!!

Luke 5:4-6

“When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, “Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” But Simon answered and said to Him, “Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net.” And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking.”

This is again, Philippians 4:13 in action!

What we do with Christ will always beat

What we attempt to do without Him!!!

Time to close up right?... Not quite...

But why the "right side of the boat"?

The obvious reason would be that's where the fish were!!

But I believe there is more to this...

There's something about "the Right side"...

- **The right side is "the Jesus side"!!**
- Jesus sits at "the right side" of the father
- Matt 25, He separated the sheep from the Goats
- He put the sheep on "**The Right Side**"

The goats were on the left...(the other side)

I'm going to tell you the truth today....

- Every person has to choose a side...

I hope you choose "**The Right Side**", "The Jesus Side"

The "Jesus Side"

- That unlocks the windows of Heaven and pours out a blessing you cannot contain!! Malachi 3:10)

The "Jesus Side"

- Opens the doors to blessings that are exceedingly abundant above all you ask or think (Ephesians 3:20)
- That's your net so full you have to drag it in

The Right Side

- opens up to you the Kingdom life here on earth so you can experience (Romans 14:17)
- Righteousness
- Peace
- Joy
- In The Holy Ghost

The Right Side promises an everlasting life in Heaven::

John 14:6

“Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”

There's only two choices...

The Right Side

The Wrong side

If you choose the "wrong side"

Matthew 25:41, 46

41““Then He will also say to those on the left hand, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:

46 And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’”

Take your pick

You can't go wrong with Jesus!!!

He has given you the freedom to choose...

Choose "The Right Side"

Closing/Altar:

It really is that simple....