



"LUNCHTIME Bible Study REVIEW"

The Art of Keeping My Net Full Lesson 14: March 14, 2016

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JOHN 21: 3-6, 10-12 NKJV (3) Simon Peter said to them (the disciples), "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.** (4) But when the morning had now come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. (5) Then Jesus said to them, "Children, have you any food? They answered Him, "No." (6) 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. (10) Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have caught." (11) **Simon Peter went up and dragged the net to land, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty three: and although there were so many, the net was not broken.** (12) Jesus said to them, "Come and eat breakfast." Yet none of the disciples dared ask Him, "Who are you?" – knowing that it was the Lord."

FROM EMPTY TO FULL (Verse 3, Verse 11)

A FULL SHIP AND (STILL) AN EMPTY NET

VERSE 2 "Simon Peter, Thomas, Nathanael, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were there together."

How many disciples are listed? _____ How many disciples have experience on the water? _____
How many disciples were "unnamed?" _____

- **Matthew 4:18-20** "And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called **Peter**, and **Andrew** his brother, casting a net into the sea: **for they were fishers.** (19) And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. (20) And they straightway left their nets, and followed him."
- **Matthew 4:21-22** "And going on from thence, he (Jesus) saw other two brethren, **James** the son of Zebedee, and **John** his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, **mending their nets;** and he called them. (22) And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him."

PT. 1 ... THERE HAS TO BE PEOPLE WITH YOU WHO ARE WILLING TO SPEND TIME AND EFFORT

Laborious means "Requiring considerable effort and time"

A full ship (full crew) does not necessarily equate to having a full net

An empty net does not mean that those onboard did not labor

An empty net did not disqualify any of them from receiving a gross blessing

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PT. 2 ... KNOW THOSE WHO LABOR AMONG YOU

- **1 Thessalonians 5:12-13** "...know those who labor among you... esteem (*honor, appreciate, recognize, value*) them very highly in love for their work's sake..." _____

JOHN 6 MIRACLE (5 barley loaves & 2 small fish: The Feeding of 5000)

John 6:12-13 "When they (the people) were filled, he (Jesus) said unto his disciples, **Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost.** (13) Therefore they gathered them together and filled **twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.**"

Brief similarities discussed in John 6 & John 21

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| 1. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 3. _____ | |

Do you also see the "hunger" component? _____

Do you see any other similarities? _____

PT. 3 ... WORK ALONGSIDE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT TOO FULL TO USE THEIR FAITH

The void in both texts had to be filled with _____.



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- o **Isaiah 64:4 KJV** "For since the beginning of the world men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him."

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PT. 4 ... YOU MUST BUILD ON WHAT YOU ALREADY KNOW

What wonders have you already seen God do? Has God shown Himself to be faithful? List a few ways He has blessed you.

PT. 5 LET GOD DO IT HIS WAY

John 6 starts with a lad's _____ (John 6:9)

John 21 starts from _____ (John 21:3)

John 6: 13 equates to "Panhandling was good for a season"

John 21:11 equates to "I'm ready for a full net" *What do these statements mean for you personally?*

PT. 6 ... REMEMBER THAT THERE ARE MANY CHANNELS OF BLESSINGS

- o **Ezekiel 34:26 KJV** "...I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing."

PT. 7 ... DO NOT TURN A DEAF EAR TO TRUE WISDOM (EVEN IF IT COMES FROM AN UNLIKELY SOURCE)

JOHN 21 VERSES 4-5 "But when the morning had now come, **Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.** (5) "Then Jesus saith unto them, **Children have ye any food (meat)?** They answered him, No."

PT. 8 ... DO NOT GET CAUGHT IN YESTERDAY'S RUT

JOHN 21 VERSES 3-4 "...that night they caught nothing. (4) **But when the morning had now come...**"

PT. 9 ... IT REQUIRES SOME LEVEL OF WORK

PT. 10 ... REMEMBER THAT YOUR FAITH IS EVER-GROWING

- o **Psalms 91:16 KJV** "With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation."

"AS LONG AS JESUS IS WITH US, OUR LIVES WILL BE FULL!"

PT. 11 ... LEAVE TIME FOR WORSHIP

(Have you thanked Him enough for your miracle?)

JOHN 21 VERSE 12 "Jesus said to them, "Come and eat breakfast." Yet none of the disciples dared ask Him, "Who are you?" – knowing that it was the Lord."

Give God a hearty Hallelujah!