

Attaining Abundance

When we tithe, give, and support the gospel, God is able to come through for us and do the miracles we need in our lives. Every one of us is going to need a miracle sooner or later. Many people need one today. And I want you to know God is just waiting to pour His blessings out on your life, and in your life, and through your life, if you'll just hang on to your faith, and not let go of it.

Though Job lost almost everything, he didn't lose his faith in God, and his heart was perfect before the Lord. He said, **For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.** (Job 3:25). Fear will cause things to happen in our lives that God never intended to happen. And these things will overtake us if we don't keep ourselves built up in the Word of God.

I got a hold of the scripture where Jesus said in Luke 6:38, **Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.**

There's another testimony in Luke 5. In verse 1, it says these people came to hear the Word of God. And, any place in the New Testament, or in the Bible where the people did what God told them to do, based on His Word and from His Word, they would receive a miracle from God. And every one of us, at one time or another needs a miracle from God. Every day of my life, I need God to do something for me that is beyond me.

Luke 5:1 says, **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.** In this testimony, the people didn't come to hear Jesus sing, perform, or entertain... they came to hear the Word of God.

Continuing with verse 2, the Bible goes on to say, **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.** Now think about this: they took in so many fish that they went from having nothing, to where their nets were breaking from so many fish.

How did all this happen?

It happened by Peter doing what Jesus told him to do.

Peter said **Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.** It goes on and says in verse 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.**

Now, we not only have nets breaking, but we have ships sinking!

Because why?

Because of the abundance.

Remember, Jesus said in John 10:10 ...**I am come that they might have life, and that they might have *it* more abundantly.**

God is known as El Shaddai, the God it is more than enough. When Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes, He not only fed the 5,000, but there was more left over so that it took 12 baskets to hold the fragments that were left over. You can see now that God is very extravagant. He's not just getting by... He has more than enough. Ask yourself this question: Do I have more than enough in every area of my life? Do I have more than enough in my finances, good health, joy, peace, and victory?

If we come up short in one of these areas -- *and we may* – we have to get to the place where we have abundance. Jesus wants us to have abundance spiritually, physically and financially. God was not only interested in these people's spiritual life, He was interested in these people eating, and He was interested in Peter's fishing business. So what does He do? He tells Peter what to do. Peter said, **Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing:** If Peter had stopped there, we would never have had the miracle. But Peter went on to say, **nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.**

How did Mary conceive and have that miracle baby Jesus when she had never known a man? The angel told Mary the Holy Spirit would come upon her and she was going to

conceive. And she said, **Be it unto me according to thy word.** That's how she got her miracle. That's how we have Jesus today. How He came is through a miracle birth -- *the virgin birth.* ***God is a miracle performer!***

Remember, God wishes above all things that you prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers (3 John 2).

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