



"Nets that Won't Break"
(Preparing for the Great Catch that is Coming)
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USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures referenced in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your small group's goal is not to pound through the questions but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships, so knock yourself out with the discussion questions but spend more time laughing than answering the questions.

The Significance of this Hebrew Year of 5774:

- 5774 is the Year of the Door
- Four and the Desert
- Four and the Orlah (Forbidden Fruit)

[Leviticus 19.23]

When you enter the land and plant any kind of fruit tree, regard its fruit as forbidden. For three years, you are to consider it forbidden; it must not be eaten. In the fourth year, all its fruit will be holy, an offering of praise to The Lord. But in the fifth year, you may eat its fruit. In this way, your harvest will be increased. I am The Lord your God.

The higher He wants to take you, the deeper the foundation He has to lay.

[John 21.1-6, NKJV]

After these things, Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, and in this way He showed Himself: Simon Peter, Thomas the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together. 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. 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." 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.

Creating Strong Nets:

1. We create strong nets by being completely committed to God's calling.

[Numbers 11.4-6]

Now the mixed multitude who were among them yielded to intense craving; so the children of Israel also wept again and said: "Who will give us meat to eat? We remember the fish which we ate freely in Egypt, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our whole being is dried up; there is nothing at all except this manna before our eyes!" We remember the fish which we ate freely in Egypt, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic.

The deserts are not detours; the places and spaces are meant to develop you into the person that God has called you to be.

2. We create strong nets by completely depending upon The Lord for the strength and strategies to become successful.

He has a catch (a plan and a purpose) for us!

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Right side of the boat = working in "loving unity" together

The Hebrew Letter Mem = 13

- the number of love and oneness (echad)
- Three & Revelation
- Three & Redemption
- Three & Creation

The Number 3 (Gimmel) is the Bridge

[John 17.20-23]

"I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that you have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved me."

A God dream should put a fresh fear of God in us.

3. We create strong nets by loving God with all our heart!

[John 21.14-17, NKJV]

This is now the third time Jesus showed Himself to His disciples after He was raised from the dead. So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He said to him again a second time, "Simon, son of Jonah do you love Me?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend to My sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep."

The nets have to join together to contain the catch that God wants to provide.

The Spirit of God is an accelerator: If you have fire and wind, you have the ingredients necessary for wildfire to explode.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How has healing and transformation in other people's lives affected you?
2. Have you had any experiences where God took you from the "pit" to the "palace?"
3. What is the difference between "active waiting" and "passive waiting?"
4. How is The Great Commission connected to the first command in the Bible: "Be fruitful and multiply?"
5. Why is it easy for us to go back to "fishing" (our fallback behaviors), or even worrying, when times get rough?
6. How can you personally tie your nets together with someone around you to be more effective in advancing the Kingdom of God? What traits are you looking for in those people?