LYRICAL DEVOTIONAL · DAY 86

He Fills Net--Sized Obedience With Nets--Sized Blessing

> *From now on you will catch men.*
> **LUKE 5:10**

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"When He had finished speaking, He said
to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water
and let down your nets for a catch.' (Jordan,
this verse is (for the home page)

(Jordan, this verse is to be placed above
the devotional insight) "Simon answered, 'Master,
we have worked hard all night
and caught nothing. But because You say so,
I will let down the net.'"
- Luke 5:4-5

Jesus asked for "nets."
Peter offered "net."
Not out of caution-
but because the request made no sense.

He's the fisherman.
He knows the water.
He knows the night was empty.
So he gives Jesus the smallest obedience possible-
one net,
just enough to say he tried.

And then the miracle exposes the gap.

The net begins to break
because Jesus filled it with a nets-sized blessing
and Peter brought a net-sized obedience.

This is what drives Peter to his knees.
Not moral failure.
Not scandal.
But the sudden realization
that Jesus is far more than he thought,
and he is far less surrendered
than he believed.

This is where discipleship begins-
at the place where His generosity
exposes what Peter held back,
and then He calls him-
"From now on you will catch men."
(Luke 5:10)

You may not know this about Jesus:
He answers one net of obedience with nets of blessing.

Where am I offering Jesus a "net"
when He has asked for "nets"?

This story reminds me
that Jesus isn't exposing my hesitation
to shame me,
but to free me.

He fills what I offer-
even when it's smaller than what He asked-
so I can see His generosity
and my reluctance.

The breaking places in my life
aren't failures;
they're invitations
to trust Him with all my nets.

Father, thank You for meeting me
in my partial obedience.
Teach me to trust You with all my nets.
Break what needs breaking,
heal what needs healing,
and lead me into deeper surrender.
In Jesus' name, amen.