

Pleasant Valley Weekly

I will worship toward Your holy temple, And praise Your name For Your loving kindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name. (Psalm 138 : 2)

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Lesson from the Boat (The teachings of Christ)

This morning we begin our yearly series. This year we will strive to understand how and what Jesus taught. We start by focusing on Jesus' teachings from a boat.

This morning we begin, in the beginning of course, with the calling of Four Fisherman. All four became Apostles, but what did Jesus offer these men that caused them to forsake everything and everyone and follow Him?

What He offered them, He has offered each one of us. Yet, how many of us took away the same lesson that the four took? How many of us have forsaken all to follow Him?

What did He teach those four men that day? As we focus on what Jesus taught, I want you to consider what these men were. They were first willing, second ready, and third prepared to do whatever it took to be His disciple.

What was the result of their preparedness? What did He promise them? And how did He show them what they will accomplish?

What He promised them, He has promised each one of us. Yet, do we see the same result as they did? If not, it's not Him it's us. Let us *cast off* as they say, and see what we can learn.

Lessons from the Boat

- * Four were called—Matthew 4 : 18—22

Who was called and who were they?

Peter, Andrew, James, John - fishermen

- * An offer is made

What did Jesus tell them?

I will make you become fishers of men.

- * Why follow Jesus—Luke 5 : 1—11

- * The conversation

Go, do -> I have already tried -> Yet I will Go and Do

- * The lesson

It's not who we are, it's "your will be done"

- * The result

They prospered. They had more than expected.

- * Our attitude

We are sinful men. We need to humbles ourselves to His will.

- * The promise

We will catch men. We will and can bring people to Him.

- * Our commitment

We must forsake all to see the promise fulfilled.