

Space for God Into Deeper Waters

PREPARATION

**Lord, my heart is not proud;
my eyes are not haughty.
I don't concern myself with matters too great
or too awesome for me to grasp.** Psalm 131:1

CONFESSION

Then I said, **"It's all over! I am doomed, for I am a sinful man. I have filthy lips, and I live among a people with filthy lips. Yet I have seen the King, the Lord of Heaven's Armies."** Isaiah 6:5

WORSHIP

Praise the Lord!
**I will thank the Lord with all my heart
as I meet with his godly people.**
How amazing are the deeds of the Lord!
All who delight in him should ponder them.
**Everything he does reveals his glory and majesty.
His righteousness never fails.** Psalm 111:1-3

MEDITATION & CONTEMPLATION—Luke 5:1-11*

One day as Jesus was preaching on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, great crowds pressed in on him to listen to the word of God. He noticed two empty boats at the water's edge, for the fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. Stepping into one of the boats, Jesus asked Simon, its owner, to push it out into the water. So he sat in the boat and taught the crowds from there.

IN SOLITUDE AND/OR COMMUNITY	
Read	Slowly, several times.
Reflect	What does the text say?
Respond	How does it relate to my life?
Rest	I welcome God's healing and renewal.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Now go out where it is deeper, and let down your nets to catch some fish."

"Master," Simon replied, "we worked hard all last night and didn't catch a thing. But if you say so, I'll let the nets down again." And this time their nets were so full of fish they began to tear! A shout for help brought their partners in the other boat, and soon both boats were filled with fish and on the verge of sinking.

When Simon Peter realized what had happened, he fell to his knees before Jesus and said, "Oh, Lord, please leave me—I'm too much of a sinner to be around you." For he was awestruck by the number of fish they had caught, as were the others with him. His partners, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, were also amazed.

Jesus replied to Simon, "Don't be afraid! From now on you'll be fishing for people!" And as soon as they landed, they left everything and followed Jesus.

ANCHORING PRAYER

"Lord, have mercy on me."

REVIEW OF THE HEART (previous 24 hours)

*In what ways have I allowed God to lead me into deeper spiritual waters?
When am I most aware of my own sinfulness?*

WISDOM

Joyful are people of integrity, who follow the instructions of the Lord. Psalm 119:1
This is what the Lord says—your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: "I am the Lord your God, who teaches you what is good for you and leads you along the paths you should follow. Isaiah 48:17

TESTIMONY *What is God saying to me?*

INTERCESSION *Prayers for the Church, for others, and for me.*

BENEDICTION

**You faithfully answer our prayers with awesome deeds,
O God our savior.
You are the hope of everyone on earth,
even those who sail on distant seas.**

[Amen]

Psalm 65:5

SPACE FOR GOD DAILY

Be still and quiet before God.
Seek the Holy Spirit's filling and
Speak and act from a listening heart.
Actively serve in community with others.