Loving The Spiritually Stubborn

Learning to Love Like Jesus

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Obedience Sometimes Requires That We Act Contrary To What We “Know” And “Want”

- Vs 4:  *Put out into deep water*
- Vs 5:  *Master: “because you say so...we will!”*

- *We worked hard*
- *Caught nothing*
- *But we will obey!*
Obedience Is Progressive:
We Never Stop Surrendering

- Jn 1: John the Baptist baptism
- Jn 2: Wedding at Cana
- Jn 4: Woman at the well

The CALL drew them to Jesus...The PROMISE caused them to abandon everything and follow Him!
Obedience Requires A Choice To Exclude Some Things Previously Important To You

- *Do you want to catch fish...”*
- *Or do you want to be fishers of men...?*

*We cannot have it all...*
Obedience Is Enough...Even When There Is No Visible Outcome

• Vs 4: Let down your nets for a catch!

Perseverance is “long obedience in the same direction”
When We Don’t Obey We Miss The Blessing God Has For Us

- The miracle of the amazing catch of fish
- The promise of to be fishers of men!

“Well done good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in with a few things, I will make you master over many.”

Mt 5:21
Obedience Takes You To A Whole New Level Of Spirituality And Blessing

• **Wildest dreams realized**
• **But God had more!**
• **The promise: Catch men**
• **The fulfillment: Acts 2:36-41**

“*Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day!*”

Acts 2:41
Todays Challenges

• Ask yourself: What are you missing by holding on to what “you know” and “you want”
• What are you refusing to lay down that keeps you from receiving God’s best in your life?
• What choice do YOU need to make?
• What do YOU need to surrender to see God’s blessing