



THE WORD OF GOD WORKS

## **Luke 5:1-2**

*<sup>1</sup> On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret,*

**Many people are hungry to hear the word of God.**

*<sup>2</sup> and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets.*

**Many people have given up because of previous failures.**

*<sup>3</sup> Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And **he sat down and taught the people from the boat.***

**4** And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, **“Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.”**

**5** And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! **But at your word I will let down the nets.**”

**6** And **when they had done this**, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking.

**7** They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink.

**It pays to obey God’s instructions**

# Live by the Word of God

***James 1:22***

*<sup>22</sup> But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.*

# The word of God is food to live by

***Luke 4:4***

*<sup>4</sup> And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'"*

# God's word is not polluted

***Proverbs 30:5***

*<sup>5</sup> Every word of God proves true;  
he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.*

# The word of God is a seed

***Luke 8:11***

***11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.***

# The word of God is medicine

***Psalm 107:20***

*<sup>20</sup> He sent out his word and healed them,  
and delivered them from their destruction.*