

LET'S GO FISHING ... John 21:3

The Greek for I am going a fishing may be more literally translated "I am going to be a fisherman"

THERE IS A MODERN PARALLEL TO THIS INSTANT.

DISCIPLES

Called personally
Taught and encouraged
Saw God's glory directly
Left to carry on Jesus' work.
They forgot Him for their old job.

CHRISTIANS.

Called personally
Taught and encouraged
See God's Glory in salvation.
Our salvation is finished- work is left.
We forget the joy of our salvation.

The results of this turning---

They were in darkness
There was no profit.
They have no goal but survival

Our spirit becomes clouded.
Nothing can be eternally gained.
We have no goal but to survive.

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what happened to them

Jesus called them children (spiritually) We too are children.
His demand was an unusual thing. His demand to us may be unusual.
They obeyed Him, were instantly rewarded greatly If we obey Him We too will be greatly rewarded according to our labors!
Their trip was changed to a success-From a failure to a success.

In obeying Him They and we find:

Spiritual light, faith, joy, hope, and love.
profit for ourselves as well as others.
A object, a goal and a happy shore (home) ahead.

in verse 7 we see three types of disciples.

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I. Clear insight- John

1. Love, the great perceptive power.
 - a. To love, we must know.
 - b. to know, we must love.
2. Love, the great penetrating power.
Sees God in everything with a supreme faith.

II. Eager enthusiasm- Peter.

1. Less capacity for delicate sensibility.
 - a. Not much insight.
 - b. Dependence on another's sight.
2. Lion's boldness, instead of an eagle's eye
Burning enthusiasm, not a piercing vision.
reckless enthusiasm- not deep thought actions.
3. But also there is a strong feeling of love.
 - A. A strong affection based on gratitude and admiration
 - B. We need both John and Peter.

III. Ordinary service- The other disciples.

1. As important as others because of the necessity of work.
 - a. Not to see, Not to swim, but to row!
 - b. Knowledge of the craft- Practical ability.
 - c. "no prophet's eye, no enthusiast's heart, but yet full of real love and practical devotion.
2. As sincere, even though not so showy, noticeable.
3. Noble, even though such a common task /steady plod.
every job an ordained job.

Let's go fishing - John 21:3-7

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