

NO LONGER STRANGERS PRAYER

Dear Jesus, **You come into our lives and show us how to live by doing things we would never think to do. You are especially drawn to people who don't know you. Help us to see you in them and open us up to how you transform our lives bit by bit and all of a sudden. Amen.**

LUKE 5:1-11

Our story and God's story continues today in a reading from Luke.

Reader: Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered,

ALL "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets."

Reader: When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying,

ALL: "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!"

Reader: For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Stay tuned for the continuing saga that is our story and God's story.

Thanks be to God.

RIVER OF HOPE'S PURPOSE – WHY DO WE EXIST?

We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP INSERT – JULY 12, 2015 GATHERING SONGS

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore
Tú has venido a la orilla

- 1 You have come down to the lakeshore
seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,
but only asking for me to follow.

Refrain

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;
kindly smiling, you've called out my name.
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;
now with you, I will seek other seas.

- 2 You know full well what I have, Lord:
neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,
just these my fish nets and will for working. *Refrain*

- 3 You need my hands, my exhaustion,
working love for the rest of the weary--
a love that's willing to go on loving. *Refrain*

- 4 You who have fished other waters;
you, the longing of souls that are yearning:
O loving Friend, you have come to call me. *Refrain*

Mighty To Save

Ben Fielding Reuben Morgan

Verse 1

**Ev'ryone needs compassion
Love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Ev'ryone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Saviour
The hope of nations**

Chorus 1

**Saviour He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave**

Verse 2

**So take me as You find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Ev'rything I believe in
Now I surrender**

Misc 1

**(Bridge)
Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing
For the glory of the risen King
Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing
For the glory of the risen King**

