

Jan 31 ... God Will Provide

Luke 5:1-11

Mat 6:33

James 4:17



Jeff and Debbie
Johnson
2012.

In August,
1998, Jeff's
union went on
a long strike.



*“Let your
partner
influence you.”
(John
Gottman)*

They decided
together to
continue to
tithe.

never lose sight of your dreams !



1975 – David Kueker

Luke 5:1-11 While the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret. 2 And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. 3 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.



Luke 5:4 And when he had ceased 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."



And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, 7 they beckoned 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.



8 But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord."



9 For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; 10 and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon.

And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." 11 And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

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What God wants you to do ...

God will provide while you do it.

It's one way to know ... if you believe it is right to do it and you are able to do it, you probably should be doing it.

Seek first the Kingdom of God
MATTHEW 6:33

Mat 6:33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.



Gottman: let
your Savior
influence you -
*There is the
right side of
the boat and
the other side
is the wrong
side. Do the
right thing.*

If Jeff had asked my advice – Open a “tithe” savings account and start living on 90% of your income.

But the key issue is this.
Jeff did what he felt he was supposed to do.



James 4:17 Whoever knows what is right to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

If you find yourself in a time of crisis:

1. Keep calm and trust God.
2. Let those you love influence you.
3. Let God influence you - listen for the *right* side, what God wants you to do *now*.
4. Do the right thing.

