



REOPENING

JCC now has in-person gatherings: **Sunday 10:00 am**
JCC has live streaming: **Sunday 10:15 am**
JCC Prayer Event: **Wednesday @ 6:30 pm**



DO YOUR CIVIC DUTY

TUESDAY, NOV. 3

VOTE!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Send **GOOD NEWS & GREAT JOY!**

Kick-off: October 11 / Collection: November 15



HELP US CELEBRATE

Mary Holmberg's

100TH BIRTHDAY 10.18.20

with a birthday card shower—

Immediately after the service those that are able will deliver the cards to her patio.

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UNITE714

Continue to pray the weekly prayer for the healing of our lands and for a spiritual awakening among the nations. There is power in unified prayer!

THE DOUBLE

Blessing

How to get it. How to give it.

Sep 06 » A Double Portion
 Sep 13 » Flip the Curse
 Sep 20 » The Law of Measures
 Sep 27 » Surrender

PRAYER REQUESTS

► SALVATION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Jason G. | <input type="checkbox"/> Ray H. | <input type="checkbox"/> Gearen Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Stein Family |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brian H. | <input type="checkbox"/> Karen W. | <input type="checkbox"/> Rick L. | <input type="checkbox"/> Kirk Aricioglu |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benjamin G. | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheyenne W. | <input type="checkbox"/> Mike F. | <input type="checkbox"/> Dave S. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ryan K. | <input type="checkbox"/> Tyler M. | <input type="checkbox"/> Tom M. | <input type="checkbox"/> Bato R. |

► HEALTH ISSUES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Suzie S. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Don H. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Larry C. » Stroke |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kenny D. » Nuerological | <input type="checkbox"/> Tommy P. » Anxiety | <input type="checkbox"/> Erik P. » Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shirley K. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Noe F. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> John V. » Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sam H. » Cardiac Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Shirley P. » Neuropathy | <input type="checkbox"/> Herlinda R. » Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ruth H. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Becky J. » Cancer | <input type="checkbox"/> Kathy B. » Grief |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phyllis L. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Addison G. » Fibrosis | <input type="checkbox"/> Adrian S. » Infant/brea-
thing/heart issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jean G. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Macario A. » Kidney Failure | <input type="checkbox"/> Maya » Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Michael D. » MS | <input type="checkbox"/> Robert G. » COVID-19 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Craig B. » Leukemia | <input type="checkbox"/> Rob R. » COVID-19 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art B. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Barb S. » Health Issues | |

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Do not change your mind. Whatever God asks of you—do not give up, do not change your mind. Don’t quit because of tough stuff, fall on your knees before God. If you think you can do it on your own strength, it’s not God.” —Heidi Baker

METRICS THAT MATTER (09/20/20)

ATTENDANCE ► 32 GIVING ► \$1,233 GUESTS ► 0
 VOLUNTEERS ► 12 DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ► 0



SURRENDER

Obedience at the point of giving up... Lk. 5:1-11

Background of the story:


- Jesus had just finished teaching in the boat and Simon had finished fishing for the night.
- While Simon was done working hard to catch fish, Jesus asked him to take the boat out into the deep and cast his net for a catch.
- Jesus: asked Simon and cast the net out for a catch...

- Simon didn't sound too excited about the idea of going back out into the water to cast out the net for a catch. It appears that he had a doubt that anything will happen but he did it anyways because the Teacher asked him to do it...
- This brings me to the heart of what I will like to talk about and that is *(Obedience at the point of giving up...)*

What's Obedience?

It's not about just following the instructions that are given to you.

The three sides of Obedience *(Not the only but I want to talk about these three as it relates to this story)*

- 1 Extended INVITATION *(It's inviting)*
 - 2 Surrender: You have to let go of something
 - 3 Action steps
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1 Invitation (*Jesus invites Simon*)

- **Obedience builds trust.** Simon didn't really know Jesus, this was early in their walk with Jesus. Therefore Jesus created an opportunity for Simon to trust him. (*Jesus extended an invitation*)
- "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch" (*Adventure*)
- It's not about being controlled as it relates to God.

2 Surrender

- **Obedience at the point of giving up...** (*Simon couldn't see any other way of catching fishes*) Simon had to **Surrender** his own perspective on the situation... He worked all night and maybe he was tired... who knows.. Simon had to let go of his own perspective. This can be hard at times... He's an professional fisherman...

3 Action step... at your word I will do it...

- Simon even though he probably didn't want to start over and go back into the water. He actually did what Jesus ask of him to do.

Life lessons and applications

- True obedience is not governed by what we feel but by what God says.
- What step of obedience is the Lord is extending to you? Does it involve an adventure? Is it challenging your perspective? Is it coming to you at a time when you feel like giving up? Is the Lord calling you to do something over again? Like Simon...
- Obedience is an invitation to experience the goodness of God.
- The real beauty is in the INVITATION. (*The Opportunity that is created especially for you*) God initiates the Obedience process.