**Cast the net on the right side of the boat and you will find**

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The Gospel according to John wants to teach the Church the truth of truths, on which her mission must always be lived. Everything that every disciple of Jesus does in the Church and in the world must be done as a very pure obedience to the Word. Mission is obedience to the Word. True worship of God is obedience to the Word. Right morality is obedience to the Word. Justice is obedience to the Word. Charity is obedience to the Word. Only if everything is done as obedience to the Word, the fruits will always be abundant. What Word must be obeyed? There are two Words to be obeyed. The first is the written Word which is the same for all. Everyone must obey the Sermon on the Mount. The second is the Word that the Lord, in his Holy Spirit, addresses to each one. This Word manifests itself as a charism, ministry, vocation, mission. The Word that a Pope must obey is different from the Word that each bishop must obey. This must also be said for every presbyter, deacon, confirmed, baptized, having each received a particular sacrament, charism, vocation, mission, ministry. However, one will never be able to obey the second Word if one is not in full obedience to the first Word. The more one grows in obedience to the first Word, the more one will obey the second. Without pure evangelical life, there can never be pure missionary or ministerial life. A ministry can also be exercised, but without fruits or salvation, redemption, or eternal life. Instead the abundance of fruits comes from full obedience to the Gospel.

*After this, Jesus revealed himself again to his disciples at the Sea of ​​Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way.Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore full of one hundred fifty- three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead.*

Peter decides to go fishing. Other disciples go with him. One goes to the sea, but nothing is caught. One returns with faith in the Word of Jesus and the net is full of big fish. This event has to teach us many things. Without the dual obedience, we are fishermen who return with an empty net. It is the daily experience of many preachers or missionaries of the Word. What then is the excuse used to certify that nothing depends on us? That the world doesn't want to hear about Jesus. It's true. The world does not love that Jesus that we give to it without our obedience to Him, and also with the heart in which He does not dwell. If instead we speak of him, obeying him, showing him, making him alive in the world, then many will certainly let themselves be attracted by Christ and will enter the net of the kingdom of heaven. The conversion of hearts is in so far as our obedience to the two Words of Christ Jesus. This truth must never fall from the heart of the missionary of Christ Jesus. He must be consumed in obedience to the Word, if he wants to bring souls to Christ Jesus. Whoever obeys, also saves.

Mother of the Redemption, Angels, Saints, make the Christian obedient to the Word of Jesus.