



Sermon
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“Cov Thwjtim”

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Thov txoj koobhmoov txojkev hlub thiab txojkev haumxeeb pub rau nej sawvdaws los ntawm Vajtswv uas yog peb Leejtxiv uas yog peb tus Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos. Asmees

Yauhas 21:1 “Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Tiberias. It happened this way: - *Tomqab ntawd, Yexus rov los tshwm rau nws thwjtim pom nram ntug Hiavtxwv Tinpelias; thiab qhov uas nws los tshwm rau lawv pom muaj li no.*” Nov yog Vajtswv Txojlus. (Cross Reference: Matthais 26:32, Malakaus 16:12, Yauhas 6:1)

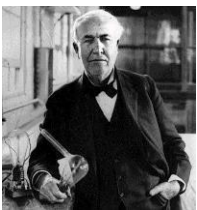
Illustration “starting new”

Thomas Edison tsim the microphone, the phonograph, the incandescent light, the storage battery, talking movies, and more than 1000 other things. Xyoo 1914, nws siv 10 xyoo thiab siv nyiaj ntau heev los mus ua lub “rojteeb – storage battery.” (Show Edison burning warehouse)



Muaj ib hmo ib chav tsev cia li kub nyiab. Nws tej khoom uas nws tsim tau puavleej kubnyiab tag huv tibi. Muaj li yim lub zos nyob ibncig ntawd txib lawv cov tub tua hluavtaws tuaj pab tua. Tiamsis thaum lawv tuaj txog, cov hluavtaws ntawd kub muajzog heev, lawv tsua yog nyob saib lub tsev ntawd kub ua tshauv tag. Lub sijhawm no Edison muaj 67 xyoo, txhua yam khoom uas nws muaj nyob rau hauv thiab lub tsev kubnyiab raug nqis li 2 laab duaslas. Edison tsuas yuav insurance rau lub ntsev ntawd li \$238,000.0. Thaum ua lub ntsev ntawd, lawv xav haistias, lub tsev yog “steel – laug” ces nws yuav kubnyiab tsis taus ib zaug li.

Edison tus tub “Charles” haistias, “My heart ache for him. He’s 67 years old and he’s not young anymore.... *Kub lub siab mob rau nws. Nws muaj 67 xyoo, nws tsis yog tus hluas lawm.....*” (Show Edison invention)



Thomas Edison



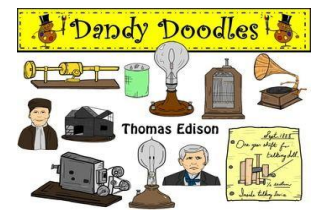
Phonograph



Microphone



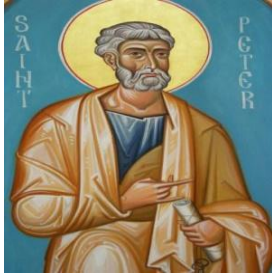
Light Bulb



Assorted invention

Tagkig thaum sawv ntxov, Edison rov tuaj pom txhuayam uas kubnyiab tag, nws haistias, “There is great value in disaster. All our mistakes are burned up. Thank God we can start anew.” Three weeks after the fire, Edison managed to deliver the first phonograph – *Thaum muaj teemeej tshwmsim li no kuj yog ib qhov zoo. Yam uas peb ua yog kubnyiab tag lawm. Ua Vajtswv tsaug, peb thiaj li yuav pib dua tshiab.*” Tomqab peb lub limtiam dhau ntawd, nws ua tau thawj lub “phonograph – tso suab tawm.” (Swindoll, Hand Me Another Brick, Thomas Nelson, 1978, pp. 82-3, and *Bits & Pieces*, November, 1989, p. 12.)

- I. “Simon Peter – *Ximoos Petus*” yog tus thwjtim uas peb nco txog haistias, nws sim mus saum dej tiamsis pib tog rau hauv dej vim nws txojkev ntseeg tsawg. Nws haistias, Yexus yog Vajtswv tus Tub, tiamsis nws tsis leespaub Yexus peb zaug. Nws coglus haistias, nws yuav tsis tso tus Tswv tseg, tiamsis thaum lawv ntes Yexus lawm, nws tsiv mus kiag nkaum. Yog peb ua tibzoo saib, peb pom haistias, Petus yog tus txivneej uas ua tsis tau li nws cov lus hais vim nws ua “tus ua tsis tau – failure” – a man of failure – tus tibneeg ua tsis tau. (Show Peter)



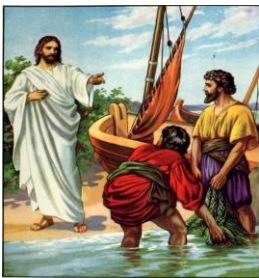
“Simon Peter – *Ximoos Petus*” yog tus thwjtim uas peb nco txog haistias, nws rau siab ntso qhia txog Yexus yog Vajtswv tus Tub. Nws muab tibneeg txog tsheej puas thiab tsheej phav leej los ua kevcai ntxuav. Nws kho tau cov tibneeg uas muaj mob thiab tsa tau tus tuag sawv rov los muaj sia. Tibneeg nyob ntawm kev tos saib nws tus duabntxoo puas los roog rau lawv kom lawv tej mob zoo. Petus yog tus txivneej uas yeej ntau yam zoo yog tus txivneej uas tau lub koobmeej zoo – a man of success – tus txivneej ua tau zoo. Peb yuav nug haistias, ua li cas Petus thiaj li yog tus tibneeg ua tsis tau thiab yog tus tibneeg ua tau? Yog vim li cas

Petus yog tus tibneeg uas hnuvntses dhau los mus ua tus tibneeg hnuv tibneeg rau Vajtswv lub tebchaws? Lub ntsiab lus no ces twb vim yog muaj Yexus Khetos. Vs. 4 sau haistias, “Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus – *Thaum kaj ntug txoog, Yexus los sawv tim ntug dej, tiamsis cov thwjtim tsis paub haistias yog Yexus.*” (Yauhas 21:4). (Show Jesus at shore)



No yog lub limtiam thib peb tomqab uas Yexus sawv ntawm txojkev tuag thiab yog zaum thib peb uas Yexus los tshwm rau lawv pom. Yexus nyob tid ntugdej saib nws cov thwjtim. Cov thwjtim tsua pheej tsis khoom rau lawv txojkev nrhiav ntes. Lawv nrhiav ntes ibhmo tiamsis nrhiav tsis tau ntes li. Cov thwjtim tseem nyiam lawv txoj dejnum qub, lawv thiaj li rov mus ua lub neej hnuvntses li qub. Vim lawv tseem nyiam hnuvntses heev duas li hnuv tibneeg. Lawv tseem nyiam pov lawv lub vas rau hauv havdej heevduas li pov Vajtswv txoj lus rau tibneeg. Lawv tseem nyiam nkuam lawv lub nkoj heevduas li nkuam kom tibneeg mus txog Vajtswv lub tebchaw.

Nov zoo sisthoj li peb tibneeg lub neej. Vajtswv Txojmoozoo twb los rau hauv peb lub neej lawm los peb tsis tig mus ua li Vajtswv samhwm tseg. Peb xum rov mus ua peb lub neej li lub qub. Vajtswv tseem nyob tos kom peb tig rov qab los rau ntawm nws. Txawm peb yuav mus nrhiav nyiaj nhriav txiaj kom muaj koob nto npe los Yexus tseem nyob tos kom peb rov los cuag nws. (Show no fish)



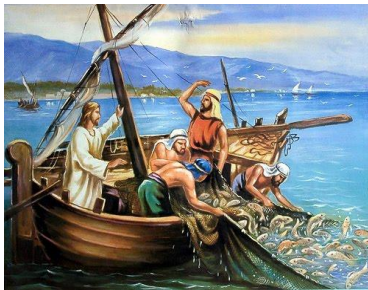
Vs. 5 Yexus nug lawv haistias, “Children, do you have any fish?” They answered him, “No.” – *Cov hluas, nej ntaus tsis tau ntseess li los?*” Lawv teb haistias, “*Ntaus tsis tau ibtug li.*” Yog tus tsis leespaub yam uas nws ua tsis tau nws yuav siv lolus dag los haistias, “Kuv tseem tsis tau muaj sijhawm.” Tiamsis tus uas totaub “qhovtseeb yog qhovtseeb, qhov tsis yog tsis yog – Yes be Yes and No be No.” Tsis txhob lam siv excuse los mus hais kom dhau losyog kom zoo xwb. Yexus cov thwjtim hnuv tsis tau ntes, lawv thiaj li teb qhovncaj haistias, “*Ntaus tsis tau ibtug li.*”

- II. Tiamsis txawm cov thwjtim ntau tsis tau ntes li los ntawm Vs. 6 Yexus hais rau lawv haistias, “Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some – *Nej cia li ntaus nej lub vas rau ntawm lub nkoj sabxis rau hauv thiaj yuav tau ntseess.*” (Show Jesus and the great catch)



Yog nej ua tibzoo saib, cov thwjtim yeej ibtxwm yog tineeg hnuvntses thiab lawv yeej paub haistias, hnuv lub sijhawm twg thiab lub caij twg thiaj li tau ntses. Peb tibneeg zoo sisthooj li no thiab vim peb xav haistias, peb yeej paub thiab txawj lawm, peb tsis tas yuav mloog lwmtus losyog Vajtswv Txojlus los qhia peb ua neej li. Saib cov thwjtim no, lawv twb pom Yexus ob zaug lawm, ua li cas lawv tsis mobsiab ua Vajtswv tes dejnum ho tseem yuav mus hnuvntses? Peb tibneeg los xum mus hnuvntses txawm twb yog lub sijhawm tuaj hawm Vajtswv, vim nws cov

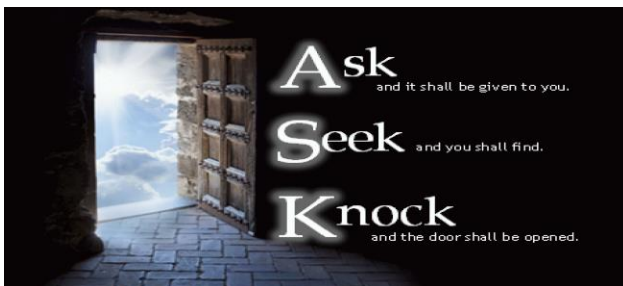
phoojywg haistias, ntses thiaj li tom rau lub caij ntawd xwb. Nws xum mus ua lwmyam, vim haistias, yog nws tej txheeb tej ze, kev hawm Vajtswv tsis tseemceeb, nws xum mus kom lwmtus qhuas haistias nws tuaj koom nrog lawv lawm. **(The Great Catch)**



Yexus hais rau cov thwjtim haistias, “Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish – *Nej cia li ntaus nej lub vas rau ntawm lub nkoj sabxis rau hauv thiaj yuav tau ntsess. Yog li ntawd, lawv txawm muab lub vas ntaus rau hauv thiab lub vas mag tau ntsess ntau heev; lawv rub tsis taus lub vas los rau hauv nkoj li.*” (Yauhas 21:6) Peb ua neej nyob, peb yuavtsum tig los mus mloog Vajtswv Txojlus. Cov thwjtim yog haistias lawv xav li tibneeg txojkev xav, lawv yuav teb

haistias, “Peb twb ntau ibhmo lawm, peb ntau tsis tau ntses, peb yuav tsis ua li koj hais? Koj yog leejtwg es koj tseem yuav muaj feem los mus kom peb rov tso vas rau hauv dej duas?” Peb tibneeg yuav mus nrhiav txojkev ua neeb saibyaig, tua tsiaj koj los kho nws tej mob. Txawm ua npaum li no los tsis zoo. Peb tibneeg ntau zaug yuav ua txhuayam kom haum lawv dejsiab tiamsis tsis nco qab txog Vajtswv lawm.

Saib thaum cov thwjtim mloog Yexus lus, lawv muab lub vas tso rau hauv dej, lub vas mag ntse ntau heev li vim lawv cia siab thiab ntseeg haistias, yuav muaj raws li tus Tswv hais. Peb txojkev ntseeg los zoo sisthooj li no thiab. Yog peb twb tsis ntseeg thiab peb tsuas lam thov Vajtswv xwb, peb yuav ua li cas tau li peb txojkev xav tau. **(Show ask, seek and knock)**



Peb yuavtsum ntseeg thiab cia siab haistias, yam uas peb thov ntawd lawm, Vajtswv yeej yuav teb thiab pub rau peb. Mathais thiaj li sau haistias, “Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. – *Thov koj thiaj li yuav tau, nrhiav koj thiaj li yuav*

ntsib, khob lub qhovrooj thiaj li qhib rau koj. Txhua tus uas thov yuav tau txais, txhua tus ua nrhiav yuav ntsib, thiab txhuatus uas khob lub qhovrooj yuav qhib rau nws.” (Mathais 7:7-8).

III. Cov kwvtij hlub thiab movtshua, nej puas tau thov losyog nrhiav yam uas nej xav tau ntawd tiamsis tsis tau li? **(Show Jesus cooking breakfast for his disciples)**



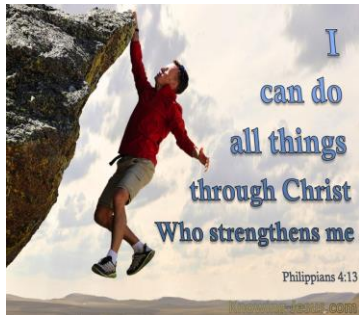
Vs. 12 sau haistias, “Come and have breakfast – *Nej cia li los noj tshais.*” Yexus twb npaj tau tshais tos cov thwjtim huv tibi lawm. Txawm nej nrhiav yam uas nej xav tau npaum li cas los nej yuav tsis pom yog

Vajtswv tsis tau pub rau nej. Yam uas nej nrhiv ntawd Vajtswv twb npaj huv tibsib lawm. Peb puas ntshai tsam tagkis peb tsis muaj noj muaj haus? Yexus twb npaj tej ntawd huv tibsib rau peb lawm thiab. Peb puas ntshai tsam peb yuav ntsib kev mob kev nkees? Yexus yog tus Tswv Khomob zoo. Nej puas ntshai tsam nej poob mus raug kev tsis zoo thiab kev ploj kev tuag? Yexus haistias, “I am with you to the end of the age – *Kuv yuav nrog nej nyob mus txog lub ntiajteb kawg.*” (Mathais 28:20)

Nyob rau hauv koj lub neej koj puas tau pub ib zaug ntxiv rau lwmtus, kom lawv pib duas tshiab – give them a second chance, starting new? (Show the Apostle Paul thorn – grace sufficient)



Koj thiab kuv yeej ua tsis tau li Vajtswv txoj kevcai tswjhwm li tiamsis, nws tseem niajnub zamtxim rau peb thiab hais kom peb rov los leestxim thiab tig rau ntawm nws txoj koobhmoov uas yog kev hlub. Txawm yam uas peb ua tsis los, Yexus hais rau koj haistias, “..... My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness – *kuv txoj koobhmoov txaus rau koj lawm, kuv lub hwjchim muaj zog rau thaum qaugzog*” (2 Kaulethaus 12:9) (Show Philippians 4:13)



Petus thiab cov thwjtim sawvdaws ntshai tsis leespaub Yexus thiab khiav deb lub sijhawm uas Yexus raug ntes, koj mus txiavtxim thiab tua tuag. Txawm lawv ntshai thiab ua tsis tau rau txojkev sawv khovkho haistias lawv yog Yexus cov thwjtim los Yexus yeej tseem zamtxim rau lawv thiab hlub lawv. Yexus hlub peb tibneeg ntiajteb nws thiaj li los ua txhuayam kom tiav hlo rau peb. Txawm peb ua tsis tau los nws yog tus ua tau. Ntawm peb txojkev ntseeg kev cia siab Vajtswv pub peb muab txojkev ua tsis tau los mus ua tau. Vim koj yog Yexus cov thwjtim tiam tamsimno niajnub ua Nws tes dejnum. Koj yuav hais tau tias “I can do all things

through him who strengthens me – *Kuv yuav ua tau txhuayam los ntawm Yexus Khetos vim Nws yog tus muab lug zog rau kuv.*” (Filipis 4:13) Asmees.

Thov kom Vajtswv txojlus pub rau koj totaub thiab tau txojkev haumxeeb rau ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos. Peb txhuatus uas yog Vajtswv cov menyuum peb sawvdaws hais: Asmees.