

Psalm 138

To You, *Lord*, I give my whole heart, *a heart filled with praise, for I am grateful*; before the gods, my heart sings praises to You *and You alone*.

² I bow *before You*, looking to Your holy temple, and praise Your name, for Your unfailing love and Your truth; for You have placed Your name and Your word over all things *and all times*.

³ On the day *I needed You*, I called, and You responded and infused my soul with strength.

⁴ May all the kings of the earth praise You, O Eternal One, because they have heard the words You have spoken.

⁵ *They will marvel* at the Eternal's ways, and they will sing, for great is the glory of the Eternal.

⁶ Although He is greatest of all, He is attentive to the needy and keeps His distance from the proud *and pompous*.

⁷ Whenever I walk into trouble, You are there to bring me out.

You hold out Your hand to protect me against the wrath of my enemies, and hold me safely in Your right hand.

⁸ The Eternal will finish what He started in me. Your faithful love, O Eternal One, lasts forever; do not give up on what Your hands have made.

Luke 5:1-11

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, ^[a] the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. ² He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. ³ He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."

⁵ Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

⁶ When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. ⁷ So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

⁸ When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" ⁹ For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, ¹⁰ and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." ¹¹ So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.