Commentary on the Gospel for Thu, Aug 2nd 2012

Peter, James, and John, the three disciples closest to Jesus were all fishermen. There must be some meaning in that. What are the strengths of a fisherman? 1) He is patient. He is able to wait... and wait and wait. 2) He has a sense of timing. It is useless to move at the wrong time, and essential to move instantly when the right time comes. 3) He has a lot of courage. The sea is dangerous and has committed many treacheries; lakes and rivers have their dangers too, however peaceful they may seem. Every disciple of Jesus, and everyone who wants to do good in the world, has something to learn from fishermen.

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