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 822 ST. LUKE. Vv.   
 of Gennesaret, and saw two ‘ships standing by the   
 lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were   
 washing their nets.   
 ships, which was Simon’s, and prayed him that he would   
 thrust out a little from 3 the land. entered he sat one of the   
 taught \* the people out of the ship.   
 a Jolm 6,   
   
 4 Now when he had   
 left speaking, he said unto Simon, \* Launch out into the   
 deep, and let: down your nets for a draught. 5 And Simon   
 answering said unto him, Master, VY we have toiled all the   
 night, and have taken nothing : nevertheless at thy word I   
 will let down the net. ® And when they had this done,   
 they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and W their net   
   
 brake. 7 And they beckoned unto their partners, which   
   
 were in the other ship, that they should come and help   
 them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that   
   
 t many ancient copies have, boats.   
 % vender, the multitudes.   
 ¥ render, we toiled all the night, and took nothing.   
 W read and render, their nets were bursting.   
   
 20%8 who were not aware of these circum- miracle. Does his fear, as expressed in   
 stances. But then such a supposition ver. 8, the reason assigned,   
 not consist that high of autho- some previous slowness, or relaxation of   
 rity in accounts, which I believe his waually earncst attachment, of which   
 to have: note on Matk. (4) It seems he now becomes deeply ashamed? (5) It   
 to me that the truth the matter is is also to be noti thst there is no   
 this :—that this is distinct and chronological index to narrative con-   
 happened at a later than, the call- necting it with what precedes or follows.   
 ing in Matthew and Mark; but that the It cannot well (see ver. 8) have taken   
 four Apostles, when our Lord was at place after the healing of Peter’s wife's   
 Capernaum, followed their occupation as mother ; and (ver. must have been after   
 fishermen. There is every thing to shew, the crowd had now become accustomed to   
 in our account, that the calling pre- hear the Lord teach. (6) Also, there   
 viously taken place; the closing it is no mention of Andrew here, as in   
 by the ion in ver. 11 merely indi- 10 there surely would have been, he had   
 cates, what there can be no difficulty in been present. (7) will be seen wholly   
 seeing even without it, that our present irreconcileable of the suppositions   
 account is an imperfect one, written b: with the ides that Luke used the Gospel   
 one who found thus much recorded, an of St. Matthew, or that of St. Mark, in   
 knowing it to part of the history the compiling his own. 2.) were washing   
 calling of the Apostles, to it the their nets—indicating that their labour   
 fact of their all and following for that was finished ver.   
 Lord. As to the repetition of assu- 4,} Launch out is, the original,   
 rance in ver. 10, I no more in it than as addressed to Peter alone, who was   
 this which a also from other pas- steeraman of his ship; let is plural,   
 sages in the Gospels, the Apostles, as addressed to the fishermen in were   
 such were not called or ordained at any 1.) They beckoned, on account I will dis-   
 apecial moment, or by any one word of tance; of perhaps for the reason given   
 power alone; but that in their case, this done, of the doers,—of the act.   
 well as ours, there ane upon line,   
 precept upon precept: and that what was   
 said generally to all four on the former   
 by words only, was repeated to   
 Peter on this, only in words, but by a