



Discovering Jesus Through the Miracle of the Fish's Coin



Explore Jesus' teaching and provision in the fish's mouth story to deepen your faith and trust in God's care and obedience.



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Introduction

Welcome to this 7-day journey exploring the powerful lesson Jesus taught using the miracle of the fish with the coin in its mouth. Though a brief account found in *Matthew 17:24-27*, this story is rich with meaning about faith, obedience, provision, and God's sovereignty over all creation.

In the Gospel narrative, Jesus instructs Peter to catch a fish, inside which he finds a coin to pay the temple tax. At first glance, it seems like a simple miracle about meeting a financial obligation. Yet, it reveals deeper truths about Jesus' knowledge, authority, and care for His followers.

This study plan invites you to meditate on this passage and its surrounding context, helping you unravel the layers of Jesus' teaching. As you reflect on the fish's mouth and the coin, consider the significance of God's provision even in unexpected ways, and the call to follow Jesus' guidance diligently.

Each day, you will encounter Scripture passages, devotional thoughts, reflective questions, and prayer prompts designed to deepen your relationship with Christ. Whether you are new to the Bible or well versed, this plan encourages you to see God's hand at work in the everyday moments, trusting Jesus to provide what is needed, even when it seems unlikely.

Let us open our hearts to be taught and transformed by the Lord through this unique miracle story, embracing the lessons of faith, obedience, and divine provision.





Day 1: The Miracle of Provision



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Your Verse

Matthew 17:24-27 - "Jesus said, '... go to the lake and throw out your line. Take the first fish you catch; open its mouth and you will find a four-drachma coin.'"

Supporting Scriptures

- *Philippians 4:19 - 'And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.'*
- *Psalms 24:1 - 'The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it...'*



Devotional: Jesus Provides in Unexpected Ways

This passage highlights Jesus' authority and provision in everyday matters. The temple tax symbolizes obedience to religious duties, and Jesus demonstrates that He cares even about small financial obligations. By instructing Peter to catch a fish that will carry the coin needed, Jesus shows that God can provide in unexpected ways.

Notice Jesus' calm assurance and knowledge. He orchestrates the event before Peter acts, illustrating God's sovereignty over nature and circumstances. This encourages us to trust in God's provision regardless of our challenges.

When we face situations that test our faith—like financial stress, obligations, or uncertainty—we can reflect on this miracle and remember that God sees our needs and provides in His perfect timing.

Let this story remind you to rely on Jesus' guidance and expect His provision, even when it seems impossible.



Day 1: 🎧 The Miracle of Provision

Reflect and Apply

1. How has God provided for you in unexpected ways before?

2. What areas of your life need you to trust Jesus' provision today?

3. Are there obligations or challenges you're hesitant to bring to Jesus?

4. How does this miracle deepen your understanding of Jesus' authority?





Day 1: 🎧 The Miracle of Provision

Journaling Prompts

1. Write about a time when God provided for you unexpectedly.

2. List current needs or challenges where you can seek Jesus' guidance.

3. Reflect on your attitude towards trusting God with financial or practical matters.



Day 1: 🐟 The Miracle of Provision

Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, thank You for Your keen awareness of our needs and Your miraculous provision. Help me trust You deeply, especially when provision seems impossible. Teach me to obey Your guidance and rest in the assurance that You see and care about every detail in my life. Increase my faith as I remember the fish and the coin—Your ways often surprise me with love and care. Guide me to honor You with what You provide. *In Your name I pray,* Amen. 🙏🐟💰





Day 2: 💡 Trusting Jesus' Instructions



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Your Verse

Matthew 17:27 - '... go to the lake and throw out your line. Take the first fish you catch...'

Supporting Scriptures

- *Proverbs 3:5 - 'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;'*
- *James 1:22 - 'Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.'*



Day 2: 💡 Trusting Jesus' Instructions

Devotional: Faith in Action through Obedience

Obedience to Jesus' instructions is central to this passage. Peter didn't know where the coin would be or why, but Jesus told him exactly what to do. Peter's step of faith and obedience resulted in provision.

Often, God's instructions may not be clear or easy to understand. Yet, trusting Jesus means following His word even in uncertainty. His directions can lead us to resources and solutions we hadn't anticipated.

This story reminds us that obedience moves faith into action, which opens doors for God's blessings. God often works through our willingness to obey in small, practical steps.

Today, ask yourself if you are ready to listen to Jesus' voice and obediently act, even when the outcome is not immediate or obvious.



Day 2: 💡 Trusting Jesus' Instructions

Reflect and Apply

1. Are there areas where God is calling you to obey, even if you don't understand why?

2. How do you usually respond to unclear instructions from God?

3. What holds you back from fully trusting Jesus' guidance?

4. How does obedience strengthen your faith?





Day 2: 💡 Trusting Jesus' Instructions

Journaling Prompts

1. Write about a time you obeyed God despite uncertainty and how it turned out.

2. Consider an area you feel called to obey Jesus now; list practical steps to follow it.

3. Reflect on how trusting Jesus' instructions can transform your daily walk.



Day 2: 💡 Trusting Jesus' Instructions

Prayer for Today

Dear Jesus, help me to trust Your instructions and to obey even when I do not fully understand Your ways. Strengthen my heart to follow Your lead faithfully, knowing You provide beyond what I expect. Teach me to listen carefully and act promptly on Your word. May my obedience be a testimony of faith, and may You be glorified through my willingness to trust You. *In Your name, Amen.* 🙏✂️👂





Day 3: Honoring God with Our Finances



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Your Verse

Matthew 17:24 - 'When they came to Capernaum, the collectors of the two-drachma temple tax came to Peter...'

Supporting Scriptures

- *Malachi 3:10 - 'Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse... and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven.'*
- *2 Corinthians 9:7 - 'Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion.'*



Day 3:  Honoring God with Our Finances

Devotional: Stewardship as an Act of Worship

The temple tax episode highlights the importance of honoring God with our money. Even Jesus, who is Lord of all, submitted to paying the tax to fulfill earthly responsibilities and respect divine institutions.

This act models humble obedience and respect for God's commands, including stewardship of finances. Honoring God includes using our resources responsibly, contributing to His work, and trusting Him with our finances.

Reflect on your relationship with money and how you honor God through it. Do you see your resources as blessings to manage or burdens? Jesus' example teaches us to engage in financial responsibilities with faith and integrity.

Consider how you can better align your finances with God's purpose, offering your gifts back to Him with joyful willingness.



Reflect and Apply

1. How do you view your role as a steward of God's resources?

2. In what ways can you honor God with your finances more fully?

3. Are there financial obligations you have resisted, and why?

4. How does Jesus' example of paying the temple tax impact your perspective?





Day 3:  Honoring God with Our Finances

Journaling Prompts

1. Write honestly about your current financial stewardship and areas for growth.

2. Plan specific ways you can honor God through giving or managing money.

3. Reflect on how faith influences your financial decisions.



Day 3: 🗳️ Honoring God with Our Finances

Prayer for Today

Lord God, teach me to honor You with all that I have, including my finances. Help me to be a faithful steward, trusting You to provide and guide me in using resources wisely. May my giving reflect my love and gratitude for Your provision. Forgive me when I fail to follow Your ways and inspire me to live with integrity and generosity. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* 💵 🙏 🏠





Day 4: 🔍 God's Sovereignty Over All Creation



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Your Verse

Matthew 17:27 - '... you will find a four-drachma coin in the mouth of the first fish you catch.'

Supporting Scriptures

- *Colossians 1:16 - 'For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth...'*
- *Psalms 104:24 - 'How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all...'*



Day 4: 🔍 God's Sovereignty Over All Creation

Devotional: Trusting God's Supreme Control

This miracle emphasizes God's lordship over all creation—even the fish in the sea. The fact that Jesus knew exactly which fish carried the coin shows His intimate sovereignty over nature.

Such sovereignty means that nothing happens outside God's control. This gives believers peace amid uncertainty, knowing that God orchestrates events for His glory and our good.

Reflect on how this truth impacts your faith during difficult or confusing seasons. God's creative power extends across every aspect of life, including the smallest details.

Adore God today for His wisdom and control over the universe, trusting that He wills and works for your blessing and His glory.



Reflect and Apply

1. How does God's sovereignty over nature encourage you in your faith?

2. When faced with uncertainty, do you trust that God is in control?

3. What aspects of your life do you find hardest to surrender to God's sovereignty?

4. How can recognizing God's control help you face daily challenges?





Journaling Prompts

1. Reflect on a time when you saw God's hand in nature or life circumstances.

2. Write about areas where you need to surrender control to God.

3. List Scriptures that remind you of God's sovereignty and meditate on them.



Day 4: 🔍 God's Sovereignty Over All Creation

Prayer for Today

Almighty God, I praise You for Your sovereign rule over all creation. Help me to remember that nothing is outside Your power or knowledge. Teach me to trust Your plan even when I cannot see the full picture. May Your reign bring peace to my heart and confidence in Your wisdom. Guide me to live as one who rests in Your control. *In Jesus' mighty name, Amen.* 🌍 🐟 👑





Day 5: 🙏 Jesus Knows Our Needs



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Your Verse

Matthew 17:27 – 'Jesus said, '... you will find a four-drachma coin in the mouth of the first fish you catch.'"

Supporting Scriptures

- *Matthew 6:26 – 'Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them.'*
- *Luke 12:7 – 'Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.'*



Day 5: 🙏 Jesus Knows Our Needs

Devotional: Jesus Cares Deeply About You

Jesus' instruction to find the coin in the fish's mouth reveals His intimate knowledge of our needs. Just as God provides precisely what Peter needs to pay the tax, He also understands your needs completely.

We may sometimes feel overlooked or forgotten, but this passage reassures us that Jesus is aware of our circumstances. His care is personal and precise.

Jesus calls us to cast our anxieties on Him with confidence, knowing He cares enough to provide what we need exactly when we need it.

Let this truth comfort and encourage you today. Bring your needs to Jesus, who knows them better than you do.



Day 5: 🙏 Jesus Knows Our Needs

Reflect and Apply

1. Do you believe Jesus knows your specific needs? Why or why not?

2. How do you bring your needs to Jesus in prayer?

3. In what ways can you rest in Jesus' care instead of worry?

4. How does understanding Jesus' awareness affect your trust in Him?





Day 5: 🙏 Jesus Knows Our Needs

Journaling Prompts

1. Write down needs you want to entrust to Jesus today.

2. Reflect on how God has met your needs in the past and thank Him.

3. Describe your feelings when you remember Jesus knows and cares for you.



Day 5: 🙏 Jesus Knows Our Needs

Prayer for Today

Jesus, You know every detail of my life and every need I have. I bring my concerns to You, trusting in Your perfect care and timing. Help me to rest in the assurance that You are aware of my struggles and will provide according to Your will. Strengthen my faith to rely fully on Your loving knowledge and provision. *In Your gracious name, Amen.* 🙏 ❤️ 🐟





Day 6: 🕊️ Peace in Christ's Provision



Your Verse

Philippians 4:19 - 'And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.'

Supporting Scriptures

- *John 14:27 - 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you... Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.'*
- *Isaiah 41:10 - '...do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God.'*



Day 6: 🕊️ Peace in Christ's Provision

Devotional: Embracing Peace Through Jesus' Care

Jesus' ability to provide the coin teaches us the peace that comes from trusting His provision. When we believe God cares about our needs, our hearts can find rest amid uncertainty.

Peace doesn't mean absence of difficulties but assurance that God is in control and working for our good. Jesus gives this peace as a gift to His followers.

Let go of anxiety and fear about your needs today and accept the peace Jesus offers. Meditate on His promise to meet your needs richly and faithfully.

This peace empowers us to live confidently and joyfully, knowing God is always working behind the scenes.



Reflect and Apply

1. Where do you need to invite Jesus' peace into your life?

2. What fears or worries can you surrender to Him today?

3. How can the promise of God's provision affect your daily peace?

4. In what ways do you experience God's peace right now?





Journaling Prompts

1. Write about situations where you have experienced God's peace.

2. List worries you want to release to Jesus and imagine His peace filling those spaces.

3. Reflect on how trusting God's provision changes your outlook on life.



Day 6: 🕊️ Peace in Christ's Provision

Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, thank You for Your peace that surpasses all understanding. Help me to accept Your provision and stop worrying about what I lack. Fill my heart with calm assurance that You will supply all my needs. Teach me to walk in faith-filled peace every day, trusting Your perfect care. *In Your name, Amen.*





Day 7: ✨ Living by Faith and Thanks



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Your Verse

2 Corinthians 9:11 – 'You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion...'

Supporting Scriptures

- *Hebrews 11:1 – 'Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.'*
- *Psalms 107:1 – 'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.'*



Day 7: ✨ Living by Faith and Thanks

Devotional: Faithful Living Overflowing with Thanks

The coin in the fish's mouth invites us to live by faith and gratitude. God provides, and in turn, we are called to be generous and thankful.

Faith involves action—stepping forward when guided and trusting God's promises. Likewise, thanksgiving acknowledges God's goodness and strengthens our relationship with Him.

As you conclude this study, reflect on how faith and gratitude can transform your everyday living. Let your life be a testimony to God's faithful provision through generous and thankful living.

May your heart overflow with praise as you trust in Jesus who cares deeply and provides abundantly.



Day 7: ✨ Living by Faith and Thanks

Reflect and Apply

1. How can you grow in faith to trust God more fully?

2. What blessings can you thank God for today?

3. How can generosity reflect your gratitude for God's provision?

4. In what ways can your life demonstrate trust in Jesus?





Day 7: ✨ Living by Faith and Thanks

Journaling Prompts

1. List things God has provided recently and write prayers of thanks.

2. Plan acts of generosity as a response to God's faithfulness.

3. Reflect on how living by faith changes your perspective and actions.



Day 7: ✨ Living by Faith and Thanks

Prayer for Today

Gracious God, thank You for faithfully providing all I need. Help me to live each day by faith, trusting You completely. Fill my heart with gratitude that inspires generosity. May my life honor You as I respond with praise and faithful action. Strengthen me to walk boldly in Your provision and love. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* 🙏 ✨ ❤️





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