

Sermon

Luke 5:1-11

‘Facing the Deep’

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Job 38:1-18 (NIV)

1 Then the Lord spoke to Job out of the storm. He said:

2 “Who is this that obscures my plans
with words without knowledge?

3 Brace yourself like a man;

I will question you,
and you shall answer me.

4 Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation?

Tell me, if you understand.”

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Job 38:1-18 (NIV)

8 “Who shut up the sea behind doors
when it burst forth from the womb,

...

10 when I fixed limits for it
and set its doors and bars in place,

11 when I said, ‘This far you may come and no farther;
here is where your proud waves halt’?”



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Genesis 1 (NIV)

1 In the beginning God

created the heavens and the earth.

2 Now the earth was formless and empty,
darkness was over the surface of the deep,
and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

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Genesis 1 (NIV)

3 And God said,
“Let there be light,”
and there was light.

4 God saw that the light was good,
and he separated the light from the darkness.

5 God called the light “day,”
and the darkness he called “night.”

And there was evening, and there was morning
—the first day.



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Genesis 1 (NIV)

6 And God said,

“Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water.”

7 So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it.

And it was so.

8 God called the vault “sky.”

And there was evening, and there was morning —the second day.



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Genesis 1 (NIV)

9 And God said,

“Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place,
and let dry ground appear.”

And it was so.

10 God called the dry ground “land,”
and the gathered waters he called “seas.”

And God saw that it was good.

...

13 And there was evening, and there was morning
—the third day.



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Psalm 104 (NIV)

5 (The Lord) set the earth on its foundations;
it can never be moved.

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Psalm 104 (NIV)

6 You covered it with the watery depths
as with a garment;
the waters stood above the mountains.

7 But at your rebuke the waters fled,
at the sound of your thunder they took to flight;

8 they flowed over the mountains,
they went down into the valleys,
to the place you assigned for them.

9 You set a boundary they cannot cross;
never again will they cover the earth.



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Psalm 104:24-26 (NIV)

24 How many are your works, Lord!
In wisdom you made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.



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Psalm 104:24-26 (NIV)

25 There is the sea, vast and spacious,
teeming with creatures beyond number—
living things both large and small.

26 There the ships go to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.

“which you formed to play in it” (ESV ++)

“the monster you created to splash in the sea” (CEV)

“which You have formed to have fun in it” (NASB)

“that you formed to sport in it” (NRSV ++)



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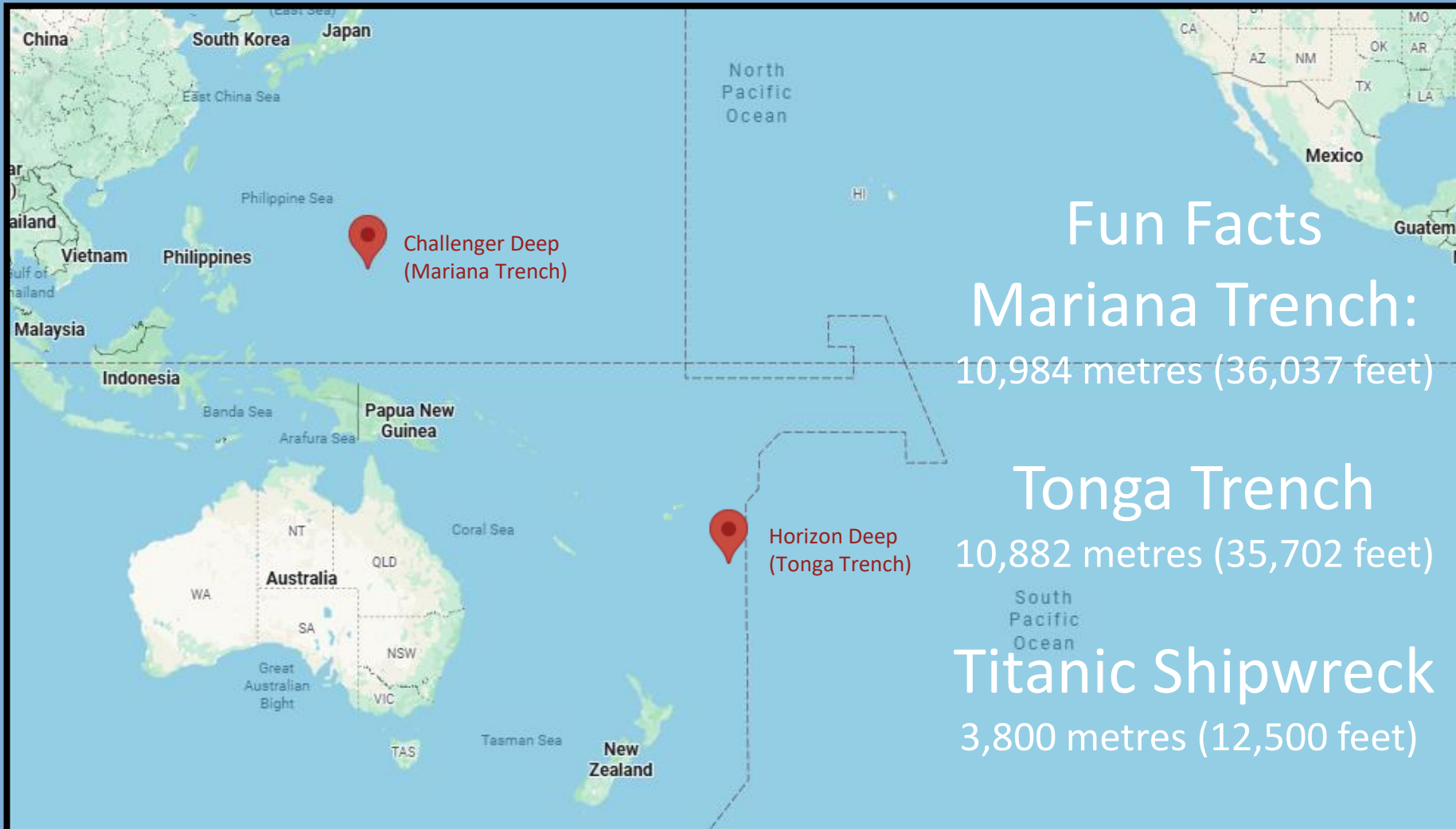
**16 “Have you journeyed to the springs of the sea
or walked in the recesses of the deep?”**



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Luke 5:1-11 (NIV)



Fun Facts

Mariana Trench:
10,984 metres (36,037 feet)

Tonga Trench
10,882 metres (35,702 feet)

Titanic Shipwreck
3,800 metres (12,500 feet)

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Jonah 2 (NIV)

1 From inside the fish

Jonah prayed to the Lord his God. 2 He said:

“In my distress I called to the Lord,
and he answered me.

From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help,
and you listened to my cry.

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Psalm 86 (NIV)

12 I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart;
I will glorify your name forever.

13 For great is your love toward me;
you have delivered me from the depths,
from the realm of the dead.



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Luke 5:1-11 (NIV)

4 When he had finished speaking,
(Jesus) 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.”



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Luke 5:1-11 (NIV)

**6 When they had done so,
they caught such a large number of fish
that their nets began to break.**

... filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

...

**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.**



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Psalm 135 (NIV)

5 I know that the Lord is great,
that our Lord is greater than all gods.
6 The Lord does whatever pleases him,
in the heavens and on the earth,
in the seas and all their depths.



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Psalm 139 (NIV)

1 You have searched me, Lord,
and you know me.

...

7 Where can I go from your Spirit?

Where can I flee from your presence?

8 If I go up to the heavens, you are there;
if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.



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Isaiah 29 (NIV)

13 The Lord says:

...

15 Woe to those who go to great depths
to hide their plans from the Lord,
who do their work in darkness and think,
“Who sees us? Who will know?”



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Romans 8:31-39 (NIV)

31 ... If God is for us, who can be against us?

...

38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life,
neither angels nor demons,
neither the present nor the future,
nor any powers,
39 neither height nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.



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Micah 7:14-20 (NIV)

18 Who is a God like you,
who pardons sin and forgives the transgression
of the remnant of his inheritance?

You do not stay angry forever
but delight to show mercy.

19 You will again have compassion on us;
you will tread our sins underfoot
and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.



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Ephesians 3: 14-21 (NIV)

17 ... I pray that you,
being rooted and established in love,
18 may have power,
together with all the Lord’s holy people,
to grasp how wide and long and high and deep
is the love of Christ,
19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge
—that you may be filled to the measure
of all the fullness of God.



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Revelation 21:1-8 (NIV)

1 Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.

...

3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them.

They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.



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