



THE Bait

There is a myth about a mother fish and her young fish. Every morning, the fisherman drops this hook with an earthworm on it to catch any wandering fish. Because bait (earthworm) is a preferred diet for these fishes, they are frequently cheap prey for their hunters. The mother fish will constantly warn the baby fish to avoid suspended earthworms, which has resulted in the disappearance of several of her neighbours. Unfortunately, the baby fish ignored his mother's counsel.

The mother-fish was gone visiting friends on this faithful day, and before she returned, the baby fish noticed a free food, which happened to be a suspended earthworm. Ignoring his mother's caution, he jumped in delight at the bait, and the rest of the story happened right at the hunter's (fisher's) dining table.

Very intriguing and tragic, I suppose, but you (my reader) can be compared to this baby fish that decided not to adhere to its mother's counsel and became a hunter's delight. The mother-fish in this story can be likened to God, while the hunter, i.e. the fisher, is the devil. The devil employs bait to

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draw people's attention towards his side. These are lust of the eye (stealing, covetousness, and so on), lust of the flesh (fornication, adultery, and so on), and pride of life (hate, malice, and so on). 1John 2:15-16.

The Bible says “the thief (devil) cometh not, but to kill, to steal, and to destroy. But I (Jesus) am come that you might have life and have it more abundantly” John 10:10. As long as you are attracted to the things of the world, you will remain a readily available prey in the hands of the devil. Jesus came to give you life abundantly. Whatever you acquire from the devil will soon lead to your destruction. It is only life in Christ Jesus that guarantees security.

God have showed you, O man what is good and what He require of you... (Michah 6:8). You have no excuse to fall prey to the devil just like the baby-fish. You have been informed about the deception of the devil, he has nothing to offer you but death and destruction. Accept Jesus today and receive abundant life.

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If you are ready to say yes to Jesus, pray this prayer now.

Lord Jesus, I thank you for loving me and saving me by your death. I come to you today asking for your help. Forgive me all my sins and rescue me from destruction. Establish me in your kingdom, in Jesus name I pray (Amen).

Now you are free and you have a new life. To stabilize your freedom, locate a Bible believing church near you and start fellowshiping with God's children. Jesus is Lord.

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