

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

September 30, 2018

John 21:1-14

READ

John 21:1-14 Luke 5:1-11

QUESTIONS for REFLECTION

1. Is there anything wrong with Peter's desire to go fishing? If so, what are the issues?
2. The disciples did not recognize Jesus when He made His presence known on shore. Why do we sometimes suffer from decreased visibility (of Jesus) (consider Hebrews 12:1-2)? What can we do to correct our vision?
 - John 10:4,5
 - 1 Peter 5:7
 - Hebrews 10:25
 - Psalm 22:3
 - Colossians 3:17Anything else?
3. Some translations of v. 5 read "Friends" rather than "Children." The word used (*paidion*) means a child in relation to descent, a boy or girl in relation to age, or a servant in relation to condition; it is further a diminutive form of the word, suggesting "little." What is Jesus suggesting by this form of address?
4. Why does Peter react in the way he does to the revelation that the stranger on shore is the Lord (v. 7)?
5. What is the significance of the specificity of 153 fish?
6. What are the implications of Jesus' invitation, "Come and have breakfast"?

- Philippians 4:19
- Psalm 34:8
- Revelation 3:19-20
- Matthew 28:20

7. Jesus issues a number of invitations throughout His ministry. What are the inferences of each?

- John 1:39
- Matthew 11:28-29
- Mark 6:31
- John 7:37
- Luke 18:22
- Matthew 25:34

8. Compare this incident with the one described in Luke 5:1-11. How are they similar? How do they differ? What unique lessons does each communicate? How is this latter incident helping prepare them to fulfill their commission as apostles?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

1. I will fix my eyes on Jesus this week by . . .

2. I will taste and see that the Lord is good this week by . . .

3. So that I may “dine” with Jesus this week, I will repent of . . .