Jesus Appears to the Disciples in Galilee

John 21:1-17



The Story

After the events of Easter Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. Peter, Thomas, Nathanael, James and John, and two other disciples were together. Peter said to them, "I am going fishing."

They said to him, "We are going with you." They went out and immediately got into the boat, and that night they caught nothing. But when the morning had come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you any food?"

They answered Him, "No." He said to them, "Let your net down on the right side of the boat, and you will find some fish." So they cast, and now they were not able to pull it up because of the many fish.

John said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Peter heard that it was the Lord, he plunged into the sea. But the other disciples came in the little boat (for they were not far from land), dragging the net with fish. Then, as soon as they had come to land, they saw a fire there, and fish laid on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have just caught."

Peter went up and dragged the net to land, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty-three; and although there were so many, the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, "Come and eat breakfast." Yet none of the disciples dared ask Him, "Who are You?"; knowing that it was the Lord. Jesus then came and took the bread and fish and gave it to them.

This is now the third time Jesus showed Himself to His disciples after He was raised from the dead.

So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Peter, "Simon Peter, do you love Me more than these?"

Peter said to Jesus, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You."

Jesus said to him, "Feed My lambs."

He said to Peter again a second time, "Simon Peter, do you love Me?"

Peter said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You."

He said to him, "Tend My sheep."

He said to him the third time, "Simon Peter, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?"

Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You."

Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep.

Review - Fill in the Crossword Puzzle with the words from the box.

Word Box					
Peter	Bible	Jesus	lambs	fishing	eat

Across

- 3. The disciples were ____.
- 5. Jesus said to Peter, "Feed My
- 6. Jesus asked ___ three times if he loved Jesus.

3. 4. 5. 6.

Down

- 1. __ helped them catch many fish.
- 2. We are fed with the words from the ____.
- 4. Jesus gave them food to __.

Activity One - Match the names with the pictures. These are some people that tell us about Jesus.

Passages

"The Lord is my shepherd." Psalm 23:1

"I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." Psalm 23:6

Hymn - TLH #428 v. 1, 4

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee; Trusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free. I am trusting Thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead, Ev'ry day and hour supplying All my need.

Prayer

Jesus,

We thank You for forgiving us our sins and making us lambs in Your flock. Lead us safely home to heaven. Amen.

Activity Two - Cut out this picture. It can be made into a magnet, necklace, etc.

