

Jesus Appears to the Disciples in Galilee

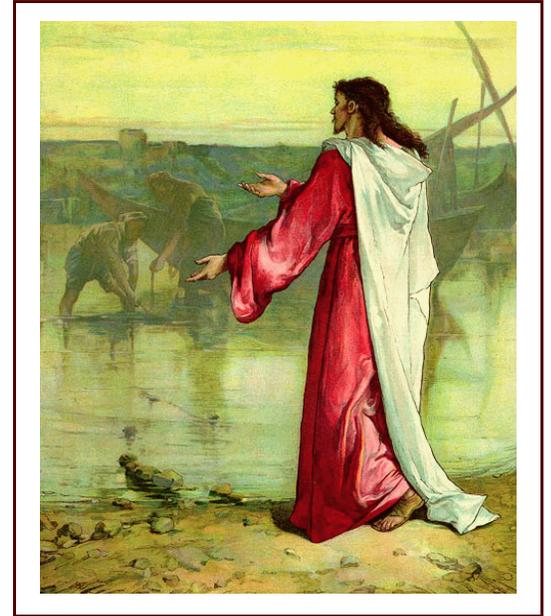
John 21:1-17

"Do you love Me?"

What would you answer Jesus if He asked you that question.

What would you answer if Jesus asked that same question three times?

What command does Jesus give Peter and all of us?



Prayer

Dear Father in Heaven,

Be with us today during our Sunday School class as we study Your Holy Word. Help us to listen, learn and take to heart all that Your Holy Scripture teaches in this lesson. Cause Your Holy Spirit to work in our hearts that we too can say, "Yes, Lord, we love You!" Amen.

The Story - John 21:1-17

After these things Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, and in this way He showed Himself: {2} Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together. {3} Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing."

They said to him, "We are going with you also." They went out and immediately got into the boat, and that night they caught nothing. {4} But when the morning had now come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was

Jesus. {5} Then Jesus said to them, "Children, have you any food?"

They answered Him, "No." {6} And He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast, and now they were not able to draw it in because of the multitude of fish.

{7} Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment (for he had removed it), and plunged into the sea. {8} But the other disciples came in the little boat (for they were not far from land,



but about two hundred cubits), dragging the net with fish. {9} Then, as soon as they had come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid on it, and bread. {10} Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have just caught."

{11} Simon 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. {12} 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. {13} Jesus then came and took the bread and gave it to them, and likewise the fish.

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

{15} So when they had eaten

breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?"

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

He said to him, "Feed My lambs."

{16} He said to him again a second time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?"

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

He said to him, "Tend My sheep."

{17} He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?"

And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You."

Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep."

Outer Aim - The resurrected Savior appeared to His disciples at Galilee as He promised. There, He reminds them of His loving care and forgiveness in directing His called shepherds to, "Feed My lambs and feed My sheep."

Class Discussion - Answer these questions with the rest of your class. Be sure to share your answers.

When did you become one of Jesus' lambs?

Who in your life brings you God's Word?

1. _____

4. _____

2. _____

5. _____

3. _____

6. _____

Rearrange the letters in () to find the words for this sentence.

We are fed with God's Word both the (AWL)_____ and the (LSGPOE)_____.

Review - Use the words from John 21 to fill in the letters of the missing words. The numbered letters will give you the answer to the last question.

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| 1. | Peter was going to go __ at the beginning of this lesson. | 1. | _ _ _ _ _ |
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| 2. | Thomas, Nathanael, the sons of __, and two other disciples went with Peter. | 2. | _ _ _ _ _ |
| | | | 2 3 4 |
| 3. | They did not recognize Jesus when He called, "Children, have you any __?" | 3. | _ _ _ _ |
| 4. | When they cast their nets on the right side of the boat as Jesus told them a __ of fish were in the net. | 4. | _ _ _ _ _ |
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| 5. | Peter __ into the sea when he was told that Jesus was on shore. | 5. | _ _ _ _ _ |
| 6. | Jesus said, "Come and eat __." | 6. | _ _ _ _ _ |
| | | | 10 8 11 |
| 7. | Jesus asked Peter, "Do __ love __?" three times. | 7. | _ _ _ love _ _ |
| | | | 6 9 |
| 8. | What did Jesus tell Peter to do? | | |
| 8. | _ _ _ _ | 8. | _ _ _ _ _ |
| | 1 2 3 4 | | 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 |

Inner Aim - We recognize God's hand in our lives - the forgiving love and the life-giving care of Jesus for His disciples and all people.

What God Tells Us - Tell how each of these jobs would follow Jesus command to, "Feed My Lambs", "Tend My Sheep."

Pastor

Christian Day School Teacher/Sunday School Teacher

Father/Mother

Factory Worker

Student

Passage

"The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Psalms 23:1-3

Hymn

 - TLH #428 stanzas 1-4

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,
Trusting only Thee;
Trusting Thee for full salvation,
Great and free.

I am trusting Thee for cleansing
In the crimson flood;
Trusting Thee to make me holy
By Thy blood.

I am trusting Thee for pardon;
At Thy feet I bow,
For Thy grace and tender mercy
Trusting now.

I am trusting Thee to guide me;
Thou alone shalt lead,
Ev'ry day and hour supplying
All my need.

Prayer

Lord Jesus,
We too have often sinned by denying You. Thank You for forgiving us and for being our Good Shepherd. Lead us safely home to You. Amen.