

John 21:1-14

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Chapter 21 - Epilogue: Mission, Discipleship, Community

A. Peter and Beloved Disciple; B. Peter; A'. Peter and Beloved Disciple

John 21:1-14

A. Manifestation at Gloom v. 1

1After these things Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples at the **Sea of Tiberias**, and in this way He showed Himself:

B. Gathered and Foodless Without Jesus v. 2, 3

2Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the *sons* of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together. 3Simon 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**.

C. Don't Know Jesus v. 4

4 But when the morning had now come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.

D. Nothing To Eat v. 5

5Then Jesus said to them, "**Children**, have you any **food?**" They answered Him, "No."

E. Net Full, Undruggable (Multitude of Fish) v. 6

6And 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.

F. John Knows the Lord v. 7a

7Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!"

G. Peter and the Disciples Come to the Lord v. 7b, 8

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. 8But 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.

F'. Peter's Fire v. 9

9Then, as soon as they had come to land, they saw a **fire of coals** there, and fish laid on it, and bread.

E'. Net Full, Draggable (153 Great Fish) v. 10,11

10Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have just caught." 11Simon 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.

D'. Breakfast – v. 12a

12Jesus said to them, "Come and **eat breakfast**."

C'. Know Jesus v. 12b

Yet none of the disciples dared ask Him, "Who are You?"—knowing that it was the Lord.

B'. Gathered with, and Fed By, Jesus 13

13Jesus then came and **took the bread and gave it to them, and likewise the fish**.

A'. Manifestation of Resurrection Life

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

John 21:1-14 "Advent and the Gift of Mission"

1. Which disciple is in all 3 parts of John 21? _____
2. What kind of man was Emperor Tiberius? _____
3. The disciples went fishing at _____.
4. Jesus came to them at _____.
5. What did he call them? _____
6. How many fish were caught without Jesus? ____ With? ____.
7. When Peter knew it was Jesus, did he go away or towards him?
8. Jesus made a _____ fire.
9. Whose fish was Jesus cooking? _____.
10. What did Jesus want the disciples to do?
_____.
_____.
11. In the OT, God's servants were _____.
12. In the NT, God's servants were _____.
13. Where else did Jesus give bread & fish? _____.
14. Where else did Jesus help his men on the Sea? _____
15. Jesus says without him you can do _____!
16. Jesus _____ Peter.
17. Jesus was _____ to His disciples.
18. Jesus makes His men good _____!

Echoes:

Luke 5:8 – Fishers of Men; John's Cognition and Peter's Direction

"When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!'"

Jeremiah 16:16; Hab. 1:14,15 – From Herdsmen and Farmers to Fishermen, From Land to Sea, From Israel to Gentiles

Ezekiel 47:10 Temple water from En-gedi (17) to En-Eglaim (153), from 70 to 153 via 17 (Pentecost.)

"It shall be that fishermen will stand by it from En Gedi to En Eglaim; they will be places for spreading their nets. Their fish will be of the same kinds as the fish of the Great Sea, exceedingly many."

John 6 – Feeding of the 5,000; At Sea At Night Without Jesus

11 And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted.

Lessons:

1. God gives us the gift of mission and purpose: the transformation of the world!
2. The link to Thomas means this truth is for you! Jn. 15:5 "He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.
3. The gift is set in the context of vocation. Peter strips down to work, and so should we. We win with diligence & service, not glory & power. Peter dresses up to eat with Jesus, and so should we!
4. Peter is a flawed leader who will be used to move towards the goal of the mission. The elders at RCC are leading via, among other things, our Strategy Map.
5. God Is Sovereign, forgiving and empowering.
6. We move from darkness to light, failure to success, absence to presence, false communion to true communion.
7. Let's get at it!

The Little worship Service

Altar Fire – Ascension Offering; Forgiveness of Peter

We Bring Tribute Offering

He Feeds Us Peace Offering

Meal

tiberius the darkest of men.