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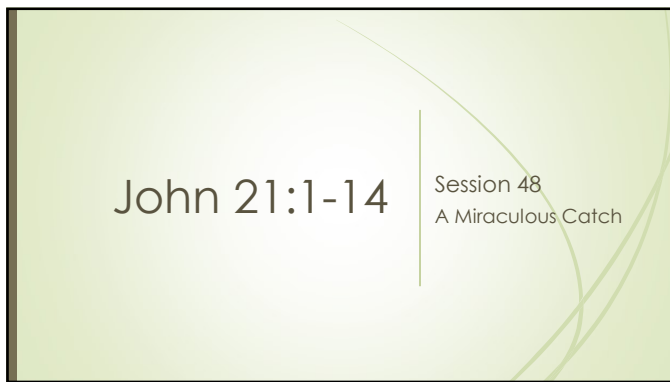
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**John 21:1-3** After these things Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, and in this way He showed *Himself*: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together. 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.

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John  
21:1-3

- What is the purpose of adding Chapter 21 when it appears that the book ended with verse 31 of Chapter 20?
- What is the relationship between Jesus and the disciples following the resurrection?
- What must we note about the location of the disciples?

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John  
21:1-3

- What is interesting about this particular group of men fishing?
- What can we draw from Peter's statement "I'm going fishing"?

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John 21:4-8 But when the morning had now come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Then Jesus said to them, "**Children, have you any food?**" They answered Him, "No." 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. 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. 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.

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John  
21:4-8

- What was likely the state of mind of the men after a night of not catching a single fish?
- Jesus previously called them brothers so why is He now calling them children?
- Why the question "have you any food"?

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John  
21:4-8

- When did Jesus call out to them?
- What do we learn by the reactions of Peter and John?

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John 21:9-14 Then, as soon as they had come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "**Bring some of the fish which you have just caught.**" 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. 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 gave it to them, and likewise the fish. This is now the third time Jesus showed Himself to His disciples after He was raised from the dead.

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John  
21:9-14

- What is the significance of Jesus' command to cast their net when He had fish cooking on the fire already?
- What is the significance of the net wasn't broken, when in Luke 5 it was broken by the large number of fish?
- Is there any significance that the exact number of fish, 153, was noted in this Scripture?

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John  
21:9-14

- What should be noted about the meal?
- What makes it appear as if this gathering is somewhat awkward?
- What is the purpose of pointing out this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> time Jesus presented Himself to the disciples?

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