

Study Guide on John 21:1-14

New International Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

(John 21:1) Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way:

(John 21:2) Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together.

(John 21:3) “I’m going out to fish,” Simon Peter told them, and they said, “We’ll go with you.” So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

(John 21:4) Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus.

(John 21:5) He called out to them, “Friends, haven’t you any fish?” “No,” they answered.

(John 21:6) He said, “Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some.” When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.

(John 21:7) Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, “It is the Lord,” he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water.

(John 21:8) The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards.

(John 21:9) When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.

(John 21:10) Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish you have just caught.”

(John 21:11) So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn.

(John 21:12) Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” None of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord.

(John 21:13) Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

(John 21:14) This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?