

LET'S LIVE!

WITH ABUNDANCE

BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE!



JOHN 20:30-31

"Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples that aren't recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name."

JOHN 20

A BRILLIANT SUMMATION
OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Indisputable evidence of a resurrection
—the empty tomb **vv. 1-10**

Convincing proof of life
—four visible appearances **vv. 11-29**

A powerful closing argument
—Jesus' miraculous life secures eternal life **vv. 30-31**



JOHN
**REDUNDANT EVIDENCE OF A
RESURRECTION**

"Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples by the Sea of Galilee." vs 1



**EVERYDAY
INSERTIONS OF THE
RESURRECTED JESUS**

Jesus shows up at their work to offer the disciples' some helpful advice:

"Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some fish." JOHN 21:6



**EVERYDAY
INSERTIONS OF THE
RESURRECTED JESUS**

Jesus has breakfast with his team of disciples:

"When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.'" JOHN 21:9-10

EVERYDAY INSERTIONS OF THE RESURRECTED JESUS

Jesus offers a deeply discouraged Peter restorative career counseling:

"Again Jesus said, 'Simon son of John, do you love me? ... 'Take care of my sheep.'" **JOHN 21:16**

In John 21, we find in Jesus a Resurrected Lord for our real lives.

"PETER TOLD HIS FRIENDS, 'I'M GOING OUT TO FISH!' AND THEY SAID, 'WE'LL GO WITH YOU.'"

John 21:3

As some assume, the disciples are not giving up on their call to ministry.

They are simply doing what men do — being responsible by going to work.

"They dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish—153 to be exact. Yet even with so many fish, the net was not torn."

JOHN 21:11

"Often one with a net relied on advice from someone on shore who said to cast either left or right, because... [the one on shore] can often see a shoal of fish invisible to the man in the water.' Jesus was guiding his fishermen friends, just as people still do today."

WILLIAM BARCLAY

While Jesus worked innumerable miracles, in this case, he is simply showing up in an ordinary moment to guide the disciples in a work challenge.

John 21:15-17

Jesus said, "Peter, do you love me more than these?" Peter said, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."

Again Jesus said, "Peter, do you love me?" Peter answered, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."

The third time he said to him, "Peter, do you love me?" Peter was hurt by Jesus asking three times. He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."

AN ISSUE OF **LOVE?**

Jesus uses “**agape**” twice;
Peter responds with “**philos**”.

The third time, Jesus uses
“**philos**”; embarrassed, Peter
replies, “**yes, I ‘philos’ you.**”

A LOVING **RE-DIRECTION**

Jesus is working through Peter’s
failure to show that the Lord still has
big plans for Peter.

While **John 20** presents the
spectacular miracle of the Risen
Lord appearing in dramatic
moments, **John 21** presents the
practical miracle of the Risen Lord
appearing in ordinary moments.

JOHN 21

Jesus goes out of his way to show up in our mundane moments:

To offer **divine wisdom** in the difficult slog of our daily work.

To offer **divine fellowship** in the dull ordinariness of our morning breakfast.

To offer **divine grace** that turns failure into the building blocks of our future usefulness.

"God loves to effect His greatest works by means tending under ordinary circumstances to produce the very opposite of what [we expect] to be done."

CHRISTOPHER WORDSWORTH

Jesus is Messiah
of the magnificent miracle,
but he is also Lord of the
mundane moment.

ASSIGNMENT

Think of an ordinary challenge you are facing—an economic challenge or a personal failure. Or even just an ordinary moment—having breakfast, taking out the trash, walking the dog...

In advance, express gratitude that Jesus will be with you in those moments, then expectantly look for his help, encouragement and direction you as you go about your ordinary day.



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