

All Hands on Deck

Jump In

This story of Jesus takes place after the Resurrection. The story is written to be intentionally reminiscent of other stories of Jesus' ministry. It probably reminds you of several stories throughout the Gospels: Jesus calling Simon Peter, the feeding of 5,000, and the Last Supper. This story has elements of each of these stories woven into it! This story demonstrates that the ministry and love of Jesus will continue on post-resurrection, and even post-ascension. As Jesus shares this special meal with his disciples we can see that the love of Jesus is what sustains us. Jesus is the Bread of Life, and as Jesus and the disciples broke bread on the beach we are reminded of that.

Dive Deeper Together

Read John 21:1-17 together in the Deep Blue Kids Bible. OR

Read "Come to Breakfast!": Peter and the disciples set out to go fishing one day. Once the boat was filled with all the needed supplies for the day, the disciples set out onto the water. They cast out their nets, but no fish came. The disciples fished all night and could not catch even one fish! When morning came, a man shouted from the shore, "Cast your nets on the other side of the boat!" The disciples listened to the advice of the stranger on the shore and cast their nets. This time, they caught so many fish that they could hardly pull all the fish in! The disciple John looked closer at the man on the shore and exclaimed, "Look! It is Jesus on the shore!" Overcome with excitement, Peter jumped overboard and swam to shore to greet Jesus. Once the rest of the disciples reached the shore they all shared breakfast together. Jesus gave thanks to God for the food, took some of the fish that had been caught, broke bread, and shared this meal with the disciples on the shore.

Grow Stronger Together

Play a game of "Go Fish" as a family. Each time you say "go fish" during the game, take a moment to remember this story of Jesus. Use this time as an opportunity to discuss how the disciples might have felt during this story.

Pray Together

Share joys and concerns, and then say this prayer: Dear Jesus, thank you for your sustaining love. Give us the eyes to recognize you at work in our lives like the disciple John did. Amen.

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Unit 2: Hosanna!

BV: "Hosanna in the highest!" (Matthew 21:9)

AP: We celebrate Jesus.

Come to Breakfast! (John 21:1-14)

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