

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 26, 2020



BIBLE STORY:

John 21:1-19

BIBLE VERSE:

Matthew 4:19

BABIES—PRESCHOOL TEXT TRUTH:

Love Jesus and follow Him.

KIDS TEXT TRUTH:

Peter had sinned, but Jesus loved and forgave him. (YK)

Peter had sinned, but Jesus loved him, forgave him, and restored Peter's calling to share the gospel. (OK)

ADULT CORE PASSAGE:

Romans 10:5-15

FAMILY MEMORY VERSE:

Romans 10:9

FAMILY READING PLAN:

SUNDAY: *Romans 10:14-15*

MONDAY: *Romans 10:16-21*

TUESDAY: *Romans 11:1-6*

WEDNESDAY: *Romans 11:7-10*

THURSDAY: *Romans 11:11-16*

FRIDAY: *Romans 11:17-24*

SATURDAY: *Romans 11:25-32*

FAMILY BIBLE EXPLORATION

Share these points as you study John and Romans together as a family:



- **Going fishing.** Following Jesus' resurrection, Peter and six other disciples did what they knew how to do; they went fishing. Peter and the others fished all night long and caught not one single fish. After the intense night, as the light on the shore was beginning to break, a man called out to the fishermen asking if they had been successful. When they replied "No," the man instructed them to cast their nets on the right side of the boat. Once in the water, the nets were filled with 153 large fish. John immediately knew it was Jesus on the shore and announced this to the men in the boat. Peter jumped in the water and swam as fast as he could to shore.
- **Breakfast by the sea.** Jesus had started a fire and was cooking some fish and bread over the charcoal fire. Jesus invited the men, who were likely very hungry from their work, to dine with Him. Jesus and the men enjoyed breakfast together.
- **Restored by the Savior.** After breakfast, Jesus took Peter aside and asked him a very important question. Jesus asked Peter if Peter loved Jesus. Recalling Peter's previous denial of Jesus, the question was a valid one. Peter of course loved Jesus and told Him so. Jesus asked the question three times, signifying the restoration of Peter following his three-fold denial of Jesus. Peter loved Jesus and Jesus commissioned Peter to preach the gospel wherever he went.
- **Peace through Jesus.** That morning on the beach Jesus helped Peter know that even though Peter sinned, Jesus still loved him. Peter likely left that beach with peace in Jesus. Paul told the Romans the exact same thing. Because of Jesus' death and resurrection, people can have peace with God. When we place faith and trust in the sacrifice of Jesus, God justifies us and through that justification we can experience a newfound peace with God.