

Jesus Provides, Transforms and Directs - John 21

- Mean while back in Galilee v. 1-8
 - Peter goes back to his old ways (bored, nothing to do, needs the money?)
 - “Let’s go fishing” (that’s what fishermen do) Mark 1:17
 - Seven of the apostles go with him (blind leading the blind)
 - They fish all night—catch nothing John 15:5; Luke 5:1-11
 - Serving without direction???
- Jesus, yells from shore
 - Didn’t catch anything, DID YOU!? Simple reply, “No”
 - “Cast your net on the other side of the boat”, Jesus directs them
 - Jesus makes 153 big fish jump into the net
 - John yells. “It is the LORD” (You think)
 - Peter gets dressed and jumps out of the boat, swimming to shore
- Jesus is one step ahead of them—Jehovah Jireh v. 9-19
 - On shore, Jesus has a fire going, fish are cooking, and He made bread
 - Peter drags the net on shore, Jesus wants a few more fish from the disciples
 - Come and dine
 - Dried off, warmed, comforted, fed, engaged in personal fellowship
- Jesus then confronts Peter with some unresolved spiritual needs
 - Do you love Me more than these? John 13:37; Matt:26:33
 - Peter, do you love Me?
 - Jesus makes Peter confess his love of Jesus publicly, THREE TIMES
 - Tend My lambs, Shepherd My sheep, Tend My Sheep
 - Jesus then tells Peter how he would die, and glorify God in his death.
 - Jesus tells Peter, FOLLOW ME!
 - Full restoration and transformation, given and demanded of Peter
 - Both in Apostleship and leadership
- Once again, Peter takes his eyes off Jesus v. 20-25 Luke 5:8; Matt. 14:30
 - As Peter is following Jesus, John follows too
 - Peter turns around, looks at John and asks Jesus, “What about John?”
 - Jesus tells Peter, “If I want him to remain until I come, what *is that* to you? You follow Me!”
 - God has plans for each of us, don’t be looking to control that in others
- John debunks a story that arose from Jesus’ saying to Peter
- John affirms his witness/testimony
- John affirms the magnitude of what Jesus did in ministry