

John: The Risen Lord
10/21/25- Pastor Zach
John 21:1-14, Psalm 127:1,

Connect: Who do you have that you consider a true friend? What makes them true friends? If you do not have deep friendships? Why not?

Engage: Zach talked about 3 movements.

#1. Disciples were together.

- a. C.S. Lewis- True Friendship is the least jealous of the loves”
- b. What do you think Lewis is saying here?

Zach shared about some of the disciples

Peter- impulsive and inconsistent

Thomas – Inquisitive, Skeptical and slow to commit

James – Ambitious, Competitive, Fiery,

John – Contemplative and thoughtful

Which one of these disciples do you resonate with and why?

Zach also shared that C.S. Lewis said deep friendships helped him understand himself. – Do your friends do that for you? Help you understand who you are?

Zach quote: Through our individual friendship with Jesus, we are connected to a community of other believers. This fellowship helps us see ourselves through Jesus eyes and understand Him better as we support and learn from one another. “

How does that statement sit with you?

#2. Empty nets and the power of Jesus. Vs. 3

- a. Do you have empty net syndrome? Trying to do life on your own? How is that working for you?

Jesus has extravagant provision for you and it is a stark contrast to our fruitless efforts. Do you truly believe that? Do you truly believe that God can do miracles?

#3 Our faith and discernment grow as we follow Christ. ‘

- a. Do you do life on your own? Are you self reliant on yourself rather than Jesus?
- b. Do you think that You can do it better than God? If you think that – that is pride.

Dallas Willard – We don’t first develop perfect faith and then obey, instead we obey out of the faith we have and in that process our faith grows stronger and deeper as we experience Him. What do you think of that statement?

Apply: Zach asked 3 questions I would like us to sit with this week

1. Who has God put around you to share with?
2. How can your emptiness lead you to a softer heart and more humility?
3. What is something that God is asking you to do?

What is the invitation for you this week?

