



Title: This Summer I Am Going To _____. Trust God.

Scripture: John 21: 1-19

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Bible Version: NKJV

BOTTOM LINE: We all have faced setbacks in life. Don't let those setbacks keep you from trusting God.

Vs. 1: Post resurrection, Jesus physically shows Himself to them.

Vs. 3: In response to seeing Jesus, Peter states...I am going fishing

- Basically he is going back to his old ways
- He wants what he had...from the past.

'Caught nothing': Notice that their way was futile...they caught nothing.

As believers we can't find comfort in the old way of life, but rather in our new relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Vs. 4: Even though they went at it alone, Jesus was still interested in their lives.

- Notice as they went back to their old ways, they came up empty.
- Whenever we go back to our old ways we too will come up empty.

Discipleship is a process. A process built on trust, failures, and repetition.

Sometimes as believers (when things get difficult) we have to be encouraged to get back out there and to keep trusting God.

Vs. 5: Jesus called them children, not disobedient.

Vs. 6: The point is not hidden on the location where they fished (right or left side), the point is doing life with or without Divine guidance.

When we go back to our old ways it's fruitless. When we follow God's way it's fruitful.

Vs. 7: Peter put on his outer garment and swam a difficult swim back to shore.

Vs. 8-14

Vs. 11: 153 is the number of fish that were caught. No secret meaning, this just tells me that God is into each and everything. He is into specifics.

Just as every fish mattered here, each one of us matter to the Lord.

Vs. 15a: It was not until Peter was fed that Jesus talked to Him about feeding others -Courson

Vs. 15b: Jesus uses love in the form of agape. It's a perfect, all giving type of love.

Vs. 16: Jesus asks a second time....still with an agape love. Peter responds with phileo love.

Vs. 17: Jesus asks a third time. This time Jesus uses the word for brotherly love (phileo).

Vs. 18: Jesus told Peter that when He is old, he will make a faithful stand for Christ.

Vs. 19: The last words Peter heard were “Follow Me”. Means ‘accompany me’.

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Discuss

Dig Deeper



This Summer I Am Going T_____?

John 21:1-19

3D Guide

DO.

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Anytime you read God's word you have to put things into perspective. You also have to realize that the terms, not words, have meanings. As a group re-read the scriptures that was studied. Try a the Amplified Version and compare that to the NJKV, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Pick a few words and have a group member look that word up on blueletterbible.com or with their app.



DISCUSS.

1. How do you think Peter felt after he denied Christ three times?
2. Do you think there was comfort for Peter in going back to his old life?
3. Has there come a time in your life the you struggled to trust God?
4. When we see how the Lord restored Peter, does this give you hope for the times when you feel distant from the Lord?

DO.



1. What does this study reveal to you about God?
2. What does this study reveal to you about yourself?
3. Based on this, what changes do you need to make?
4. What is your prayer for today?



Parents & Kids

TAKE **HOME**

DATE: July 23rd, 2017

Scripture: Ephesians 6:11-18 - Armor of God

Take Home Questions:

What does a shield do?

What would you use a shield for?

Why should we protect ourselves with the shield of faith?

Memory Verse: Ephesians 6:14

Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place,

