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John 20:30-21:3

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

John 20:30-21:3

After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathaniel of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together.

John 20:30-21:3

Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing."
They said to him, "We will go with you." They
went out and got into the boat, but that night
they caught nothing.

John 21:15

“Simon, son of John, do you love
me more than these?”

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Romans 13:8-14

Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand.

Romans 13:8-14

So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The main point is...

Every one of us who are in Christ
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“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.

And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

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- Determine that love will change your lifestyle – Romans 13:12b-14

Discipleship Cues:

- Which of the two people we talked about today is the best picture of you now?
 - ➔ Peter in John 21?
 - ➔ Paul in Romans 13?

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- Which of the two people we talked about today is the best picture of you now?
- Thinking back on some of the things you've said, done, or thought about the last few days, would you say these mostly reflect:
 - ➔ Love for God and others?
 - ➔ Love for self?

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