

# The Connection

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## Together

**Weekly Bible Verse:** "Again Jesus said, . . . 'Do you love me? . . . Take care of my sheep.'" John 21:16 NIV



Together we can continue to make sure that children hear the stories of the Bible and of God's love and promises! Together let's keep doing kid's ministry at the time our kids need it most.

## Jesus Makes Breakfast

**Bible Story:** John 21:1-17

<sup>1</sup> After this, Jesus appeared to his disciples again. It was by the Sea of Galilee. Here is what happened. <sup>2</sup> Simon Peter and Thomas, who was also called Didymus, were there together. Nathanael from Cana in Galilee and the sons of Zebedee were with them. So were two other disciples. <sup>3</sup> "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them. They said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat. That night they didn't catch anything. <sup>4</sup> Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore. But the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup> He called out to them, "Friends, don't you have any fish?" "No," they answered.

<sup>6</sup> He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat. There you will find some fish." When they did, they could not pull the net into the boat. There were too many fish in it. <sup>7</sup> Then the disciple Jesus loved said to Simon Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Peter heard that, he put his coat on. He had taken it off earlier. Then he jumped into the water.

<sup>8</sup> The other disciples followed in the boat. They were towing the net full of fish. The shore was only about 100 yards away. <sup>9</sup> When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals. There were fish on it. There was also some bread.

<sup>10</sup> Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." <sup>11</sup> So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat. He dragged the net to shore. It was full of large fish. There were 153 of them. But even with that many fish the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup> Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup> Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them. He did the same thing with the fish. <sup>14</sup> This was the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

### Jesus Gives Peter His Task

<sup>15</sup> When Jesus and the



disciples had finished eating, Jesus spoke to Simon Peter. He asked, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these others do?" "Yes, Lord," he answered. "You know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup> Again Jesus asked, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord. You know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep." <sup>17</sup> Jesus spoke to him a third time. He asked, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt bad because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He answered, "Lord, you know all things. You know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep.

### Special Points of Interest:

Watch the YOUTUBE story of Peter :

- Do You Love Me? (GraceLink) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHptbdsZnCc>
- Jesus Forgives Peter (Saddleback Kids) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ppb9bKX1r7k>

### Additional Pages:

Coloring Page - Jesus & Peter

Feed My Sheep - Craft Ideas



### "I Wonder" questions for the story of Peter

I wonder how Peter felt when he jumped out of the boat? .

I wonder how Peter felt when Jesus asked him three times "Do you love me?"

I wonder how the rest of the disciples felt when Jesus told Peter three times to "feed my sheep."

I wonder how Peter felt when he realized that the past didn't matter anymore.

## Things to Talk About



I wonder what else the disciples talked to Jesus about that morning . . . Listed below are some conversation starters for you to share at meal time. Enjoy!

- If you could be any Bible character who would you be and why.
- If you could have dinner with Jesus, what is one question you would ask Him?
- Of all the miracles that Jesus did, which one would you have wanted to be there for and why?
- If we were stuck on a deserted island for a week and we could have an unlimited supply one only one food item, what would you want it to be?

- If you could solve one global problem in our world, what would it be?

Why? How?

- If you could plan a dinner for our family at any location in the world, where would you plan it and why?
- If you could create your own candy bar, what would it be made of and what would its name be?
- What is one thing that you loved about today and one thing you didn't like about today.
- If you could rewind and do one thing different today, what would it be and why?

*feed my sheep*  
Jesus told Peter to feed His sheep. List five ways that you can care for others. We serve God when we take care of others.



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Read and study  
John 21:1-17