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Unit II: Experiencing the Resurrection

Subject: Friends, Food, Fellowship

Text: John 21: 1-14

Key Verse: Jesus said unto them, Come and dine, And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? Knowing that it was the LORD (John 21: 12, KJV).

Lesson Pointers:

- 1) Jesus Appearance beside the Sea (John 21: 1-6)
- 2) Breakfast prepared (John 21: 7-14)

Introduction:

When there has been a traumatic event that took place in your life, and it lead you to being disconnected from your family for what ever reason. Your fellowship and the sharing of meals with one another, the meaningful conversation with one another was broken. Now, who can help you to recover a very sense of wholeness and purpose in your life, JESUS CHRIST. You see JESUS CHRIST'S appearance and fellowship with HIS disciples at the sea of Galilee reunited the disciples and restored their very sense of purpose. When JESUS CHRIST came into my life, HE restored my very sense of purpose like HE did with HIS disciples. JESUS CHRIST does not look down on you because of your pass sins, neither does HE bring them up when HE restores you for the very purpose for which you were created for; JESUS CHRIST just reveals HIMSELF as the purpose for your life, we are to honor, praise, and give HIM all the glory, for HE is worthy of it all. When you accept JESUS CHRIST as your personal LORD and Savior, you know longer is a servant but a friend with JESUS CHRIST, and you are worthy to set and dine with HIM as HE feeds you HIS Words, and the fellowship is restored with HIM, giving you all the privileges and blessings that is in HIM according to HIS Word. Friend, food, and fellowship, what a privilege we have in JESUS CHRIST.

Lesson Pointer # 1

- JESUS Appearance beside the Sea (John 21: 1-6)

Another post-Resurrection appearance of JESUS CHRIST to HIS disciples; in other words JESUS CHRIST shows HIMSELF again after HIS death to HIS disciples at the sea shore of Galilee (John 21: 1). Now, there at the sea shore of Galilee was JESUS CHRIST'S disciples, Simon Peter, and Thomas who was called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana of Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two others (John 21: 2). Simon Peter said unto the disciples that were there that he go a fishing. The other disciples said to Simon Peter, we also go with thee. This was something that they knew and had done all their lives before JESUS CHRIST came into their lives and made them fisherman of men. They entered into the ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing (John 21: 3). After fishing all

night and catching nothing. When the morning had come, JESUS CHRIST stood on the shore, and the disciples did not know that it was JESUS CHRIST (John 21: 4). JESUS CHRIST saith unto HIS disciples, Children, have you any meat? And the disciples answered HIM, No (John 21: 5). So, JESUS CHRIST said unto them, to cast their net on the right side of the ship, and you will find. So, the disciples, being obedient cast their net and were not able to draw the net for the multitude of fishes (John 21: 6). The point is that when you obey JESUS CHRIST's Words you will not have room enough to receive all the blessings that HE (JESUS CHRIST) bestows unto you. The blessings will overflow and others will be blessed because of your obedience to JESUS CHRIST word, will, and way.

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Lesson Pointer # 2

- **Breakfast prepared (John 21: 7-14)**

Therefore that disciple whom JESUS CHRIST loved saith unto Simon Peter, It is the LORD. Now, when Simon Peter heard that it was the LORD, he put on his fishers coat, (for he was naked), and casted himself into the sea (John 21: 7). And the other disciples came in a little ship dragging their net with fishes (John 21: 8). When the disciples had come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread (John 21: 9). JESUS CHRIST said unto the disciple to bring the fish that they had caught (John 21: 10). Simon Peter drew the net to the shore full of great fishes, about a hundred and fifty three: and even though there were so many, the net did not break (John 21: 11). Breakfast was prepared by JESUS CHRIST, and JESUS CHRIST invited HIS disciples to come and dine with HIM, and none of HIS disciple dare to ask who HE was, for they knew that He was the LORD (John 21: 12). JESUS CHRIST taketh of the bread, and giveth to HIS disciples, and the fish likewise (John 21: 13). This post-Resurrection encounter shows our relationship with JESUS CHRIST. Although we sin and are disobedient, JESUS CHRIST willingly forgives us and restores us when we repent and turn to HIM with evident. When we repent and turn to JESUS CHRIST, our fellowship with HIM, GOD the Father, and Holy Spirit are restored, and we are able to mature Spiritually and celebrate new life in JESUS CHRIST. Remember, the first time JESUS shewed HIMSELF to HIS disciples on the road to Emmaus when JESUS CHRIST appeared unto them, and the second time, when JESUS CHRIST appeared to the disciples and unto Thomas called Didymus in the room where the disciples were and the door were shut, and now here we see that JESUS CHRIST shews HIMSELF to HIS disciples, after HE was risen from the dead, the third time (John 21: 14).

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