

[BELIEVER'S BIBLE STUDY]

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Chapter 21

INTRODUCTION...

The final chapter of the Gospel according to John opens with seven of the eleven disciples going fishing. While engaged in their former profession the Lord reveals Himself to them in a distinct way. Notice the similarities and differences of the situation the disciples find themselves in with that of Luke 5:1-11 when Jesus first called them.

Toward the end of the book we see Jesus' "reinstatement" of the Apostle Peter and His calling on Peter's life to follow Christ and preach the gospel at all costs. What a great reminder to keep us focused on our own calling; not becoming distracted by what others are doing or what our calling may cost us.

Upon completing this study you have finished studying through the Gospel of John. Do not, however, think this book has nothing left to offer. The gospel is the power of God unto salvation. The more we read the gospel the stronger our faith will become and the better witnesses we will be of Jesus.

Be sure that you read the questions carefully to make sure that you have answered the complete question. You will notice that some of the questions may have more than one part.

Remember that you will be using the Inductive Bible Study (IBS) method of study. Which means that in each study you will be required to make observations, interpretations and application of what you have observed and interpreted? (see further explanation in Study #1)

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE...

John 21:25

And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

NKJV

THIS WEEKS BIBLE STUDY...CHAPTER TWENTY ONE...

Be sure and pray before you begin your bible study, asking the Lord to reveal those things that He wants you to know from the text you are reading.

Read through the chapter, at least twice, and then answer the following questions. Be sure to write the Scripture reference to support your answer.

SPECIAL NOTE: The last four chapters of the Gospel of John tell about the arrest, crucifixion, resurrection and ascension of Jesus. These events are the corner stone of the Gospel. Without the death of Jesus, we would have no atonement for our sins; without His resurrection we would have no proof that Jesus is the Messiah; without His ascension we would have no advocate to the Father on our behalf and no Helper to guide us in our walk. It is of the utmost importance that we understand these events as fully as possible. That is why it is vital that we look at what all four Gospel accounts tell us about these events. In order to accurately answer the following questions you will need to read and reference all four Gospel accounts on the events. Be sure to sight your specific scripture references for your answers.

Where is the Sea of Tiberius?

What is the significance of Peter going fishing?

Why do you think the disciples failed to recognize Jesus?

Why do you think Peter recognized Jesus?

How far is 200 cubits?

How many fish did they catch? Was this a large amount; if so, why?

Why were they afraid to ask Jesus, “who are you”?

How many times had Jesus shown Himself to the disciples?

When did this event take place?

Why did Jesus ask Peter “do you love me” three times?

Why was Peter grieved? Explain your answer?

What did Jesus mean by what He said in vs. 18?

Read Mark 1:16-20 as it relates to Jesus words “Follow Me” here in vs. 19. Write out your thoughts on what you think the connection is.

Who was Peter talking about in vs. 20?

What did Peter mean by what he said in vs. 21?

What did Jesus' response mean?

A...What is the personal application of what Jesus said in our own lives?

What are three things John said about the things he wrote?

How many things did Jesus do while on earth?

Write down some of the things that the Lord spoke to your heart while studying Chapter 21?

QUESTIONS?...

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