

# Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020 Breakfast picnic on the beach!

Hello everyone! We do hope you are all fine and have had a good week.

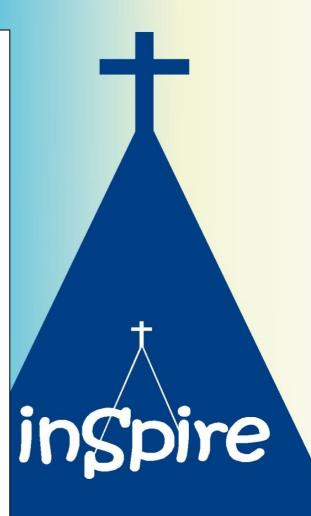
Today's story is such a great one! In our Family Service we looked at three of the times when Jesus appeared to his disciples after he had died and today, we will look at another.

Can you imagine how excited Jesus' friends must have felt! It must have been such a wonderful surprise for them each time he appeared.

Read the story together (John Chap 21 or you'll find it on the last page). Or you may want to watch the film on Youtube.

We're picking up the story where we left off on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> April. (You may want to watch that film clip again as it's such a great one! Jesus appears on the lakeside and tells his disciples to cast their nets over the other side of the boat.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cs66f4NXxy8 (Cast your nets.) Don't forget in this Superbook video series there is a character called Chris and his friend Joy who find an ancient Bible in the attic which mysteriously glows and transports them back in time to events that occurred in the Bible. They are accompanied by one of Chris' toys Gizmo who becomes a real-life robot on their adventures. Together they witness all the great events of Jesus' life including this one where he appears to the disciples when they are fishing.)



But what happens next? Peter looks at the man standing on the water's edge and suddenly realises it is Jesus! WOW!! How amazing is that! He can't wait to see him properly and jumps over the side of the boat and swims to the shore.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0fLjcVBQslU It's Jesus

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MENWMTxW44M Jesus restores Peter

There are now different activities for different aged children.....

## For younger children

Why not make a boat and see if you can get it to float! You can make it from anything.....bottom of a milk carton; bottom of a tetra pack; a meat or veg tray!

### To discuss with older children

Can you remember how when Jesus had been arrested and taken to the High Priest's house, Peter had said he didn't know Jesus. He denied knowing Jesus three times before the cock crowed. Well, here on the beach, Jesus let's Peter say sorry and then gives him a very important message.

Three times Jesus asks Peter, "Do you love me?" Each time Peter says, "Yes Lord, you know I do". And then Jesus tells Peter, "Take care of my sheep." What do you think Jesus means by this? Do you think this message is just for Peter or

was it for all the disciples? Do you think it is for us too? If it is for us, how can we take care of Jesus' sheep? What can we do?

Can you write down 5 things we can do?

To tell our friends about Jesus' love for them, we have to get to know him better. We can do this by finding out what God has to tell us by reading the Bible; by chatting to him in prayer; and by trusting him to give us everything we need to tell others through his holy spirit. And then the fun begins. We too can become "fishers of men!"

Can you imagine that wonderful breakfast BBQ on the beach? Imagine how you'd be feeling if you were one of the disciples sitting on the sand with Jesus. Jesus eats real food with his friends, cooked over a fire on the beach (how tasty!) to show them that he is their living Lord and to show that he will always be with them.

Thursday is Ascension Day and we remember Jesus ascending into heaven

#### For everyone

Play "Splash" as a family!

Imagine you are Peter jumping over the side of the boat and swimming to the shore. In your garden make one end the shore, the other end of it the boat. One person in your family calls out the following in any random order and the rest of you have to perform the actions:

"Shore!".....run to shore end of the garden

"Boat!"....run to the boat end of the garden

"Splash!" ......jump up and down as if your feet are wet!

"Haul your nets"...... Pretend to be hauling in a great big catch

See Jesus.....find a partner and give them a hug

"In the boat!" ...... sit on the ground with you feet out in front of you and start rowing

## Make flatbread and have a picnic

The weather's supposed to be lovely today so how about having a picnic? Plan what you are going to have and make it special for everyone. You might even want to combine it with a BBQ and remember Jesus and his disciples cooking fish over the fire on the beach.

You could always make flatbread, the sort of bread Jesus and his friends would have eaten. (You don't need any yeast!) As you eat, thank Jesus for being with you and your family.

This recipe is from BBC recipes and is very tasty!! It's for the whole family <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes/quick\_flatbreads\_43123">https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes/quick\_flatbreads\_43123</a>
Ingredients

- 200g/7oz plain or wholemeal flour
- ¼ tsp salt
- 100ml/31/2fl oz warm water
- 2 tbsp oil (olive, sunflower or vegetable), plus extra for cooking

#### Method

- 1. Kid's job: Place the flour and salt in a large bowl and trickle on the water bit by bit.
- 2. Kid's job: Mix the water and flour mixture together. Kids can mix using one finger so that they don't get a whole hand covered in dough. Doughy hands can be cleaned by rubbing a little more flour onto the hands over another bowl or the bin resist the urge to wash doughy hands as you will block the drain!
- 3. Kid's job: Add the oil and knead the dough you are aiming for a soft dough. If it is too sticky, add a little more flour or if it is too dry, add a splash of water.
- 4. Kid's job: Knead the dough for 5 minutes kids can do this in the bowl or on a clean surface using one or two hands.
- 5. You can cook the breads straight away or leave the dough to stand for about 30 minutes. This is a good time to make a quick filling such as a grated salad or dip. Divide the dough into four balls (or six if you have a smaller frying pan).
- 6. Kid's job: On a clean surface, roll each ball of dough one at a time using a rolling pin. If you pick up and move round the flatbread often you know it hasn't stuck. (You may need to sprinkle a little flour on the surface but only use a little as too much will dry out the dough.) Don't worry if they aren't perfect circles!
- 7. Adult's job: Heat a large frying pan. Take a sheet of kitchen paper and rub a little oil onto the surface of the pan. Cook each flatbread for about 2 minutes on one side it should puff up a little. Flip the flatbread over using tongs and then cook for a couple of minutes on the other side. The flatbread should have turned lighter in colour and may have a few spots of brown. Keep the cooked flatbreads warm, wrapped in foil or a clean teatowel, until the others are cooked.
- 8. If you want crisp flatbreads rub them with a little olive oil, chop into strips or triangles with scissors and then ask an adult to fry them for 5–10 minutes, or until crisp.

#### Let's thank Jesus for all the times we can see him ...... have some guiet chat time with God.

Dear Jesus,

Open our eyes so that we can see you more clearly

Open our hearts so that we can love you more dearly

Open our minds so we can follow you more nearly, every day

Amen.

<u>Let's sing:</u> Use the Youtube link to sing one of our favourite Easter songs <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ovUPYvJ22PY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ovUPYvJ22PY</a> <u>Sing a joyful song.</u> The words are there....hope you can remember all the actions!

And of course, another favourite <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gUZpjh5mvwo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gUZpjh5mvwo</a> Why do you look her for the living? Don't forget to do the dancing at the end!! This is a great video!

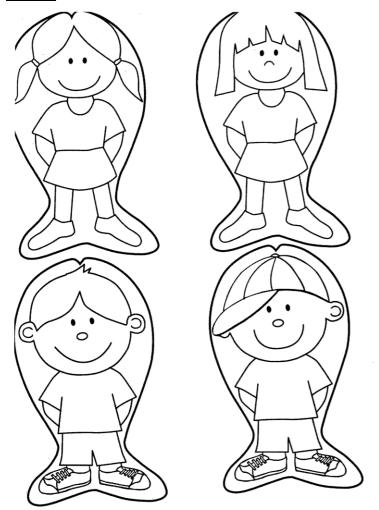
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Have a good week everyone! Take care!

## Play the fish game

Draw yourself on a fish shape. Have a race, flapping your fish to make it move as fast as it

cacan!



Jesus appeared several times to the disciples after He rose from the dead. This is a story of one of those times...

Peter said to some of the other disciples, "I think I'm going to go fishing."

The disciples that were there said, "Wait up, we'll go with you."

It was getting dark outside but the disciples thought they would catch more fish at this time of day. They got into the boat and went out onto the water. They were out there for a long time. The time passed and it was almost morning but they still hadn't caught any fish.

Jesus knew where His disciples were and went out to meet them. He was standing on shore, but the disciples didn't realize who He was. Jesus called to them, "Friends, haven't you caught any fish?"

"No," they answered.

So Jesus told them, "Throw your net on the other side of the boat and you will catch some." What happened next was amazing.

The disciples, who had been fishing all night without catching anything, threw the net over to the other side and within minutes the net was overflowing with fish.

One of the disciples realized who had been talking to them, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Peter heard this he jumped out of the boat to go to Jesus. (They weren't that far from shore).

The other disciples stayed in the boat, and worked hard to tow all the fish to shore. When they met up with Jesus, there was a fire started with some bread lying close by. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have caught and we'll have breakfast together."

Peter helped the rest of the disciples get the fish out of the boat. There were so many fish and they were all so big and heavy that they all needed to lift together to get the fish out of the boat.

Then they all sat together in front of the warm fire and Jesus took the bread and the fish and gave it to them. This was the third time Jesus had met with the disciples since He rose from the dead.

After breakfast, Jesus asked Peter some important questions. He asked him, "Peter do you love me more than your parents and all your friends?"

"Yes, Lord," he said, "You know that I love you."

Again Jesus said, "Peter do you truly love me, no matter what?"

### From John chapter 21

He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?"

Peter's feelings were hurt because Jesus kept asking him, but he replied, "Lord, you know the answer, you know that I love you."

"Then follow me," Jesus said.