

Then Came The Evening

John 20:19-31

Christ Appears To His Disciples

A. The Day Is Not Over (20:19-23)

1. When Jesus' presence is in the house (20:19-20)

a. There is peace (v 19)

Romans 5:1

b. There is joy (v 20)

Isaiah 61:10

2. When Jesus' priorities are in the house (20:21)

Acts 1:8

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A. The Day Is Not Over (20:19-23) – continued

3. When Jesus' power and promise are in the house (20:22)

**a. To receive life – Breathed – To give life. Used here
and only in Genesis 2:7**

**b. To proclaim life – Promise of the Holy Spirit
Luke 24:49**

4. When Jesus' program is in the house (20:23)

Matthew 18:18

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B. The Doubt Is Not Over ... Yet (20:24-29)

- 1. Doubt occurs when you are not where you should be (20:24)**
- 2. Doubt occurs when you have disbelief (20:25)**
- 3. Doubt disappears when Jesus comes to you (20:26-27)**
 - a. Brings peace (v 26)**
 - b. Brings answers that you need (v 27)**

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B. The Doubt Is Not Over ... Yet (20:24-29)

**4. Doubt is dismissed by declaring when you know
(20:28-29)**

a. To Thomas seeing was believing (v 28)

b. For us, believing is seeing (v 29)

1 Peter 1:8-9

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C. The Doings Of Christ (20:30-31)

1. More than you know (20:30)

2. Mentioned so that you may know (20:31)

One More Time
John 21:1-14

Christ's Last Miracle After His Resurrection

I. A Return To Fishing (21:1-3)

A. Right place (21:1)

John 21:1

After these things Jesus shewed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias; and on this wise shewed he himself.

Matthew 28:16

Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

I. A Return To Fishing (21:1-3)

B. Right crowd (21:2)

John 21:2

There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two other of his disciples.

Galatians 3:8

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

I. A Return To Fishing (21:1-3)

C. Reasonable activity (21:3)

John 21:3

Simon Peter saith unto them, I go a fishing. They say unto him, We also go with thee. They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing.

John 10:10b

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

II. A Return To Finding (21:4-6)

A. Expect God's Presence (21:4)

John 21:4

But when the morning was now come, Jesus stood on the shore: but the disciples knew not that it was Jesus.

Matthew 25:13

Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

II. A Return To Finding (21:4-6)

B. Expect God's Prompting (21:5-6)

1. When your way did not work (v 5)

John 21:5

Then Jesus saith unto them, Children, have ye any meat?

They answered him, No.

II. A Return To Finding (21:4-6)

B. Expect God's Prompting (21:5-6) - continued

2. When His way does work (v 6)

John 21:6

And he said unto them, Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find. They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes.

Luke 5:5-6

5 And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.

6 And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.

III. A Return To Following (21:7-14)

A. Come to Jesus (21:7-8)

John 21:7-8

7 Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt his fisher's coat unto him, (for he was naked,) and did cast himself into the sea.

8 And the other disciples came in a little ship; (for they were not far from land, but as it were two hundred cubits,) dragging the net with fishes.

- 1. John's recognition (v 7)**
- 2. Peter's response (v 7)**
- 3. The disciples' resolve (v 8)**

III. A Return To Following (21:7-14)

B. Comanded by Jesus (21:9-11)

1. The preparation by Christ (v 9)

John 21:9

As soon then as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread.

2. The perspective of Christ (v 10)

John 21:10

Jesus saith unto them, Bring of the fish which ye have now caught.

III. A Return To Following (21:7-14)

B. Commanded by Jesus (21:9-11) - continued

3. The provision of Christ (v 11)

John 21:11

Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and three: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken.

III. A Return To Following (21:7-14)

C. Commune with Jesus (21:12-13)

1. They knew Who they were with (v 12)

John 21:12

Jesus saith unto them, Come and dine. And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord.

2. They knew what He was doing (vv 13-14)

John 21:13-14

13 Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise.

14 This is now the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, after that he was risen from the dead.

Are You Communing With Christ?

Revelation 3:20

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Is Christ Directing Our Service