

# THE Story

## Lesson 20 Chapter 27 The Resurrection (Pt 2) p.386-390

1. What is your favorite "fishing" story?
2. On page 386, we read the story of one of Jesus' disciples often referred to as "Doubting Thomas." Why do you think Thomas was not with the rest of the disciples on Resurrection night when Jesus appeared to them in the upper room?

Before we point a finger of shame at Thomas, how have we doubted God?

3. Why do you think Jesus waited seven days to appear to Thomas?

How would you describe the way Jesus related to Thomas and why should this be an encouragement to us?

4. On pages 386-387 we read how 7 of Jesus disciples decided to return to Galilee to go fishing. Why do you think these disciples returned to their old work again?

Why do you think Jesus chose this setting to reveal Himself again to His disciples?

What might be implied by John's statement that 153 large fish were caught?

5. Why do you think Jesus singles out Peter and not Thomas in this passage?

What is the significance of Jesus asking Peter three times if he loved Him and three times commissioning him to "feed my sheep"?

Why should this be an encouragement to us?

6. On the top of page 388 we read about another appearance of the Risen Christ before His disciples. How are we to understand the statement, "When they saw him, they worshipped Him, but some doubted"?

In what is often referred to as "The Great Commission", what is the threefold task given to His disciples then and now?

How is that commission restated on the bottom of page 389?

How and why should the promise of our Risen Lord's presence through His Spirit encourage and motivate us make His last command our first concern?

7. In the last two paragraph's on page 388, how does John summarize the scope and purpose of his gospel?

8. As you reflect on the first two paragraphs on page 390, what feelings and thoughts would the disciples have had as Jesus left them?

How did the promise of the angels bring them back to reality?

9. As you review this portion of God's inspired Word, what truths do you learn about our humanity....sins to avoid & examples to follow

about our God... His promises to claim & His character to embrace