Talk About It:

- What is your favorite food to eat for breakfast?
- If you could have breakfast with anyone in the world, who would it be?

Read About It:

Read today's story from John 21:1-14*

Three days after Jesus died on the cross, He came back to life. More than once, Jesus appeared to His disciples and proved that He was alive. One day, Jesus met His disciples while they were fishing on the Sea of Galilee. Seven of Jesus' disciples were together. One of the disciples, Peter, said, "I'm going fishing." The other disciples went with him. They got into a boat and spent all night on the water. Usually, nighttime was a great time to fish, but this time, the disciples did not catch any fish at all.

The next morning, as the sun was coming up, Jesus stood on the shore. He called out to the disciples, but they did not recognize Him. Jesus said, "Men, have you caught any fish?" "No," they answered. "Put your net in the water on the right side of the boat, and you will catch some fish," Jesus said. The disciples did what Jesus said. So many fish were in their net, that they could not pull the net back into the boat!

One of the disciples said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" Peter was so excited, he jumped into the water so he could swim to shore. The disciples' boat was about 100 yards from the shore – that's the length of a football field!

The rest of the disciples brought the boat back to the shore. They pulled the net full of fish behind them. When the disciples got out of the boat, they saw bread and a charcoal fire with fish on it. "Bring some of the fish you've caught," Jesus said. So Peter pulled the net ashore. It was full of large fish - 153 of them! "Come and have breakfast," Jesus said.

The disciples did not say anything; they knew He was the Lord. Jesus took the bread and gave it to them. Then He gave them the fish. This was the third time Jesus appeared to the disciples after He was raised from the dead.

- How do you think the disciples felt after fishing all night and not catching anything?
- Why do you think Jesus told them what to do to catch a net full of fish?
- Peter must have been excited to know that Jesus was waiting for them on the shore.
 Have you ever been excited to spend time with Jesus?

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Sing About It:

Jesus shows his love for us in so many ways. In today's story, he showed his love by cooking breakfast for his friends. Sing about the great love of your friend, Jesus, with this fun song on YouTube. You can even sing about it in Spanish!

I Have a Friend in Jesus (Lifetree Kids, Cross Culture Peru Music Videos, Group Publishing)

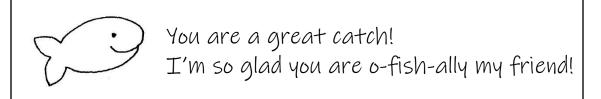
Think About It:

- Why do you think Jesus made breakfast for his friends?
- What do you think the disciples and Jesus talked about while they are together on the beach?
- If you could have breakfast with Jesus, what would you like to talk about?

Make It:

You will need: An individual snack size bag of Goldfish crackers, crayons or markers, scissors

In today's story, Jesus served fish and bread to his friends and they enjoyed breakfast on the beach. Friends always enjoy sharing food together! Color and cut out this gift tag. Write your name on the back and attach it to a small bag of Goldfish crackers to give to a friend.



Do It:

Do you think it made Jesus happy to prepare and serve breakfast for his friends? There are so many ways we can show that we care for the people we love. Try a few of these this week:

- Make breakfast for someone in your family and serve it to them with a smile.
- Encourage your family to eat one of your meals outside this week. Have a picnic together and talk about the things you love about one another.
- Write a note to someone telling them all the reasons they are so special to you.
- Call, FaceTime, or Zoom with a friend. Ask about the best and worst things they have experienced this week.

Pray About It:

Jesus, thank you for caring about your friends so much that you wanted to be sure they had a good breakfast. Thank you for caring for us, too, and for giving us what we need. Amen.

Memorize It:

This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. John 15:12