

Questions Jesus Asked



Introduction:

- One of the things we all have in common is that there have been times in our lives when we have blown it and feel like God could never love us again.
- One of Jesus' closest disciples, Peter, knew what it was like to feel this way. He had blown it...big time. But Jesus appeared to him and revealed to Peter – and us – that He is the kind of God who is willing and eager to restore us when we fail Him.

We can be at a distance from Jesus...but never out of

His _____.

Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not yet know it was Jesus (John 21:4).

Jesus makes us acknowledge our _____ without Him.

"Do you have any fish?" (v. 5)

Perhaps the most miserable person on the planet is the believer who is _____ with God.

Jesus will tell you what you need to do to get _____.

"Cast your net on the right side of the boat." (v. 6)

Simon runs toward Jesus with _____.
Simon threw himself into the sea. (v. 7)

Jesus lovingly forces Simon to _____.
They saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. (v. 9)

Charcoal Fire

Fire of _____
Denied Jesus 3 times

Fire of _____
"Do you love me?" 3 times

How did they know this was "the Lord?" I believe it has something to do with the fish. John specifically points out there are 153 fish. Why?

- In Hebrew, each letter is assigned a numerical value.
- 153 = *Beni ha Elohim*:

They had come to the place where they had surrendered to the _____.

There, around that charcoal fire – the fire of forgiveness – Jesus wants to know from Peter...and from you:

Do you love Me more than _____?

Bottom Line:

Jesus is willing and eager to restore those who have failed Him, but we must have that _____.