JESUS REINSTATES PETER

John 21:1–25

Key Verse: 21:15

1. How is this chapter introduced? (1) Which disciples were together? (2) What did Simon Peter lead them to do? (3a) What happened to them that night, and how do you think they felt? (3b) What happened early in the morning? (4) What did Jesus say to them, and how did they respond? (5,6)
2. Who recognized Jesus first, who went out to see him, and what does this show about them? (7) What did they find when they landed? (8,9) What did Jesus say, and how did Peter respond? (10,11a) What did he say next, and what was their response? (12–14) What was Jesus showing them through this catch of fish and this breakfast?
3. Read verse 15. Why was Jesus asking Peter this? What does Peter’s answer show about him? What does Jesus’ final command in this verse mean? Read verses 16,17. Why do you think Jesus repeated this three times? Why was it so important for Peter to confess his love for Jesus, and to do what he said?
4. What else did Jesus say to Peter, and why? (18,19) Why did Peter ask about the other disciple? (20,21) How did Jesus answer him, and what rumor developed? (22,23) What do Jesus’ words to Peter mean to us?
5. How does the author identify himself, and why? (24) What else does he say? (25) What can we learn from this chapter about Jesus and his love? About how Jesus wants us to show our love for him practically?