

The Miraculous Catch (John 21:1-14)

This happened after Jesus had risen from the dead on Easter day.

What is your favourite food to eat for breakfast? Ask other people in your house as well. Does everyone like the same?

Why do you think that no one said fish?

In today's Bible story Jesus makes his friends, the disciples, breakfast on the beach. Listen or read and discover what Jesus made for breakfast.

Close your eyes and imagine being at the beach early in the morning. What might you see and hear?

Either read the story below or you could watch the youtube video of the story – click on the link in the resource section. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QzaDsY7jGuM>

Later on, **Jesus** revealed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this:

² Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, **Nathanael** from **Cana** in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together.

³ Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

When it was already light, there stood **Jesus** on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus.

⁵ Jesus called out, 'Haven't you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No,'

⁶ he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they threw the net out and could not haul it in because of the **quantity** of fish.

⁷ The **disciple** whom **Jesus** loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words, 'It is the Lord,' **Simon Peter** tied his outer garment round him (for he had nothing on) and jumped into the water.

⁸ The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net with the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

⁹ As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it.

¹⁰ Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.'

¹¹ Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net ashore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken.

¹² Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' **None** of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'. They knew quite well it was the Lord.

Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish.

¹⁴ This was the third **time** that **Jesus** revealed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.