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GOD REVEALED



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO  
**JOHN**

APRIL 23, 2023



# WELCOME

At RCC, the Bible tells us that God wants us to find our greatest joy in Him and that He desires for us to share this experience with others.

So our mission is - To encourage people to **Enjoy God Together**.

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And our vision is - To **build joy-filled communities of faith** whose very existence inspires individuals to live an abundant Christian life, **made up of three key relationships - r1, r2, and r3**.

**r1** – A deepening relationship with God

**r2** – A life-changing relationship with other believers

**r3** – An engaging relationship with those yet to believe

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To get there, we have a few things that matter to us:



**WHAT WE THINK ABOUT GOD MATTERS**



**WE FIND OUR GREATEST JOY IN JESUS**



**WE HELP PEOPLE HELP PEOPLE**



**WE CELEBRATE QUESTIONS**



**WE EMBRACE INEVITABLE TENSIONS**



**THIS IS FOR LIFE**

# Kids Connect

# FAMILY SERVICE

## APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>

Families of Children 4th grade and under are invited to join us on **Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** for a special Family Service at 9am in the Student Building. We'll enjoy our time together with a pancake breakfast, music, a message, and an activity for the whole family to share in.

Parents will then head to 2nd service for the adults and the kids will join their Kids Connect teachers.

Contact **Heather Brown** at [heatherb@richfieldcc.org](mailto:heatherb@richfieldcc.org) for any questions.

## CYBERSMARTS:

### PROTECTING OUR KIDS ONLINE

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Parents, grandparents, and teens are invited to join us **THIS Sunday, April 23**, at RCC, from 4-6pm for a R.E.A.C.H.-sponsored event designed to help us become more cyber smart and help protect our kids and grandkids online. This event will feature the documentary film, "Sextortion", followed by a safety tips discussion for teens by 'Higher Ground O.C.'

**PLEASE NOTE:** Parental discretion is advised under 13 due to adult subject matter. There is nothing graphic.

**Location:** Worship Center

**Time:** 4-6pm

Childcare will be available for 10 years old and younger.

# SCRIPTURE THIS WEEK:

## John 21:1-14

<sup>1</sup> After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup> Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together.

<sup>3</sup> Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. <sup>4</sup> Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup> He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. <sup>7</sup> That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. <sup>8</sup> The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. <sup>9</sup> When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread.

<sup>10</sup> Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup> So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup> Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup> Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. <sup>14</sup> This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

# NOTES:

# **It's Not About the Fish**

John 21:1-14

Brian Betts - April 23, 2023

We are called to "fish", but "fishing" is nothing without Jesus.

**Believers fish.**

**Believers catch fish because of Jesus.**

**Believers spend time with Jesus and get excited about other fish.**

# ***Life Group Discussion Questions***

John 21:1-14

For the week of April 23, 2023

## **Reading the Text:**

1. What are some of the themes/ideas that have come up in recent chapters? What was the "Big Idea" of last week's passage?
2. Why do you think John transitions from the disciples being sent out (chapter 20), to a story about fishing? What could John be communicating about the mission Jesus is sending His disciples on?
3. Verse 3 tells us the disciples caught nothing. What happened that led them to be more effective? What could this tell us about the most crucial piece in "catching fish"?
4. In v. 5 Jesus asks the disciples if they have any fish, then He helps them bring in fish. However, v. 9 shows Jesus already had fish. Why do you think John includes these details?
5. How would you summarize the big idea of this passage?

## **Living it Out:**

1. Verses 12-13 show that the disciples were "with" Jesus. What does it look like for you to have your life fueled by being "with" Jesus, first and foremost? How could this impact your fishing?
2. What do you think some key differences would look like between sharing the joy under your own power, versus sharing out of an abundance of being with Jesus?
3. Does knowing that our "fishing" is reliant upon God have an influence on the way you "share the joy"? How so?

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