Come and Dine

John 21:1-14

Introduction:

I. A Rash Decision – 21:1-3

A. Their Position – 21:1

“After these things Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples at the ﻿﻿Sea of Tiberias, (Sea of Galilee) and in this way He showed Himself.”

According to Jesus’ directions these disciples were back home in Galilee. They had been through many strange events:

1. Triumphal Entry

2. Expectation of a new kingdom

3. Betrayal by a trusted friend

4. Near arrest

5. Denial of Jesus by their leader Peter

6. Crucifixion of Jesus

7. The Resurrection

8. The manifestations of the risen Lord.

a. Without Thomas—

b. With Thomas (Chap. 20)

B. Their Association – 21:2

Seven of the 11 disciples were together:

“Simon Peter, ﻿﻿Thomas called the Twin, ﻿﻿Nathanael of ﻿﻿Cana in Galilee, ﻿﻿the *sons* of Zebedee (James and John) and two others of His disciples were together.”

C. The Suggestion – 21|:3

1. Peter’ Decision – 21:3a

“Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.”

2. The Disciples’ Reaction – 21:3b

“They said to him, ‘We are going with you also.’ They went out and ﻿﻿immediately got into the boat, and that night they caught nothing.”

II. The Ready Director – 21:4-14 (Luke 5:4)

A. The Director’s Presence – 21:4-7

1. Prepared for Them – 21:4-6

“But when the morning had now come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples ﻿﻿did not know that it was Jesus.”

“Then ﻿﻿Jesus said to them, “Children, have you any food?” They answered Him, “No.”﻿

And He said to them, ﻿﻿“Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find *some.*” So they cast, and now they were not able to draw it in because of the multitude of fish.”

2. Perceived by Them – 21:7

“Therefore ﻿﻿that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on *his* outer garment (for he had removed it), and plunged into the sea.”

B. The Director’s Provision – 21:8-14

1. The Lord Calls Them – 21:8-11

“But the other disciples came in the little boat (for they were not far from land, but about two hundred cubits), dragging the net with fish. ﻿Then, as soon as they had come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid on it, and bread.

“Jesus said to them, ‘Bring some of the fish which you have just caught.’ Simon Peter went up and dragged the net to land, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty-three; and although there were so many, the net was not broken.”

2. The Lord Draws Them – 21:12a

“Jesus said to them, ﻿﻿‘Come *and* Dine.’

3. The Lord Awes Them – 21:12b-14

“Yet none of the disciples dared ask Him, “Who are You?”— knowing that it was the Lord. Jesus then came and took the bread and gave it to them, and likewise the fish. This *is* now ﻿﻿the third time Jesus showed Himself to His disciples after He was raised from the dead.”

Conclusion: