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- At the Sea of Tiberias
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# John, Chapter 21

## Part 1: The Apostles Go Fishing

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Part 2: A miraculous catch

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Why 153 fish?

10 is the number of the Law (10 commandments)  
7 is the number of the Spirit and therefore of grace

$$10+7=17$$

The fulness of law and grace is  $1+2+\dots+16+17=$   
153.

# John, Chapter 21

## Part 3: Jesus and Simon

Why does Jesus call him Simon instead of Peter?  
Why does Jesus ask him three times, "Do you love me?"

Why does Jesus tell him to feed/tend His sheep/flock?

What's all this about dressing yourself and going somewhere?

# John, Chapter 21

Part 3: The other disciple

What is that to you?  
Follow me!

# The Great Commission

Matt 28:16-20

# The ending of St. Mark's Gospel

After verse 8 of chapter 16, there's considerable variation in the endings of the Gospel. Since 8 seems an odd place to end, most people think something happened to the original ending. You should be able to recognize the incidents we do have as relating to other gospels.

Still are inspired Scripture!

# The Ascension

Only mentioned in St. Luke's Gospel and in the things added at the end of St. Mark's. (It's also in the Acts of the Apostles.)

# Why the Ascension?

665 Christ's Ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain, whence he will come again (cf. Acts 1:11); this humanity in the meantime hides him from the eyes of men (cf. Col 3:3).

666 Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father's glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his Body, may live in the hope of one day being with him for ever.

667 Jesus Christ, having entered the sanctuary of heaven once and for all, intercedes constantly for us as the mediator who assures us of the permanent outpouring of the Holy Spirit.