

The Lord's Breakfast by the Sea



John 21:1-14

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The disciples were men who followed the Lord after He was born on this earth.

They had seen how the Lord was crucified and they thought he was dead. His body had been placed in a tomb, but amazing things happened afterwards.

All the disciples were together when the Lord appeared to them and showed them He was still alive. He said, "Peace be with you." They were glad when they saw Him but suddenly He was gone again.

The disciples felt alone and lost without the Lord.



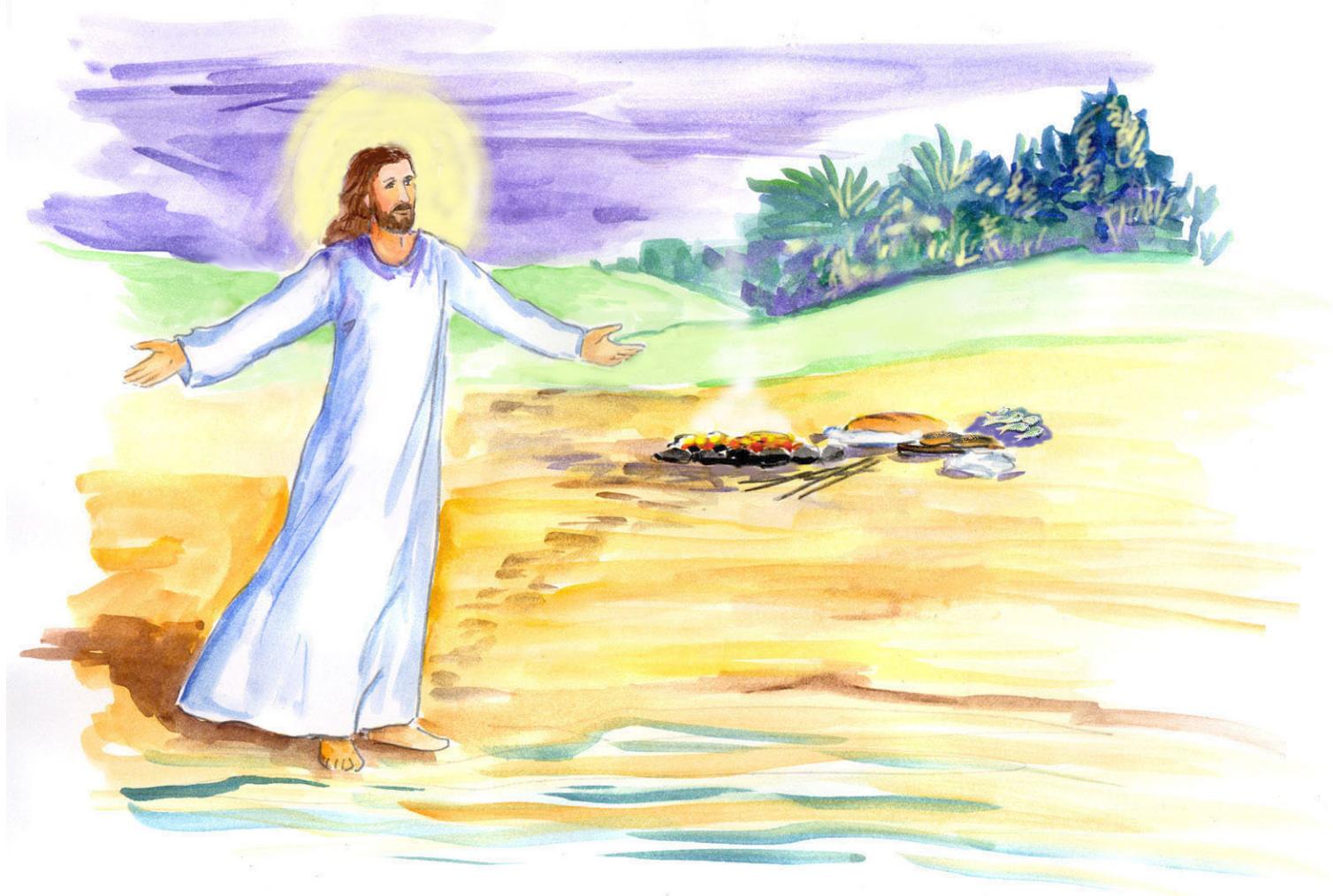
One day the disciple Peter said, "I am going fishing."

So seven disciples went out in a boat to fish together. They cast their nets all night. They tried and tried but didn't catch one single fish!

When morning came they saw a Man standing on the shore. He called to them and said, "Do you have any food? Have you caught any fish?"

The disciples called back to the Man. "No, we haven't caught any fish."

"Cast the net on the right side of the boat," He told them and there they would find fish.





So they tried it.

They cast the net and pulled it and pulled it, but they couldn't lift it into the boat. It was so full of fish! The disciples counted and found that they had caught 153 large fish. It was surprising that the net hadn't broken! It was a miracle!



When the disciples came to the land something surprised them. Fish was cooking on a fire, and bread was there. The Lord said to them, “bring some of the fish that you have caught.” (John 21:10).

Then the Lord invited them to eat some of the bread and fish for breakfast on the shore with Him.



The disciples began to realize that the Lord would always be with them, even when they didn't see Him. The Lord had completed His work on earth and returned to heaven, but He is still near everyone on earth. He showed this by being on the shore that morning to help and to feed the disciples.



Remembering that the Lord is always with us brings us hope, like the morning of a new day. Loving and obeying the Lord brings us close to Him, so that He can give us our daily bread, just like He fed the disciples that morning on the shore.