

## Friday

Please read John 14:1–4 & 21:13–14. How does it encourage you today to know that Jesus wants to and will comfort you as you journey through life?

How has God used others to show you His comfort in the past? How has He used you?

*Thank God today for His comfort. Pray that you will be open to receiving His comfort from others and that you will be will to provide His comfort to others.*

## Saturday

*Please read John 21:25. We're getting ready to go on the "Jesus Journey" as a church. There's so much for us all to learn and so many ways we can all grow to be more like Jesus. As you pray today ask God to bless and use the "Jesus Journey" in your life, our church's life and all over the world!*

# How Road Trips Change Everything

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### Context of John Chapter 21:

- John the " \_\_\_\_\_ " gospel.
- Chapter 21 is the end of a three year road trip.
- There are four stages to all road trips: "let's go," "are we there yet," "let me outta here" and "I'll \_\_\_\_\_."
- For the disciples the trip is over but the memory is not fully formed.
- Why did Jesus spend \_\_\_\_\_ road tripping with 12 men?

"I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?"

"No," they answered.

He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some."

When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!"

As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.

Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." Simon Peter climbed aboard and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn.

Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead. *John 21:3–14 NIV*



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## Four Lessons from Road Tripping With Jesus

1. \_\_\_\_\_

“We’ll go with you.” v. 3

After three years of road tripping with Jesus they had learned the power of “\_\_\_\_\_.”

What now? What would happen if I went on the Jesus Journey \_\_\_\_\_ week?

2. \_\_\_\_\_

“...he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water.” v. 7

Even in failure, Peter had learned that it is \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Christ with great passion.

So what? How would I change if I read the \_\_\_\_\_ .

3. \_\_\_\_\_

“When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.” v. 9

With his last hours on earth Jesus chose to both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ a meal.

So what? Who is God calling me to \_\_\_\_\_ ?

4. \_\_\_\_\_

“Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.” v. 13–14

Even those who walk with him bodily need \_\_\_\_\_ .

So what? How would my faith grow if I broke bread in \_\_\_\_\_ ?

## Monday

Please read John 21: 3–14. How did last weekend’s sermon encourage you to stay connected with both Jesus and others?

What is your journey with Jesus feeling like right now? Are you in the “Let’s go!”, “Are we there yet?”, “Let me outta’ here!”, or “I’ll never forget!” stage?

*Thank God today for the journey with Him. Thank Him for the opportunity to learn about Him and grow. Pray that God will prepare your heart as you prepare to start the “Jesus Journey”.*

## Tuesday

Please read Mark 6:7, Luke 10:1 & John 21:3. What is hardest for you when it comes to serving and growing with others in community?

Why do you think Jesus emphasized growing and serving with others?

*Thank God today that He doesn’t expect us or even want us to go it alone. Talk to Him about your struggles with being in a community. Pray that you’ll grow closer to others during the “Jesus Journey”.*

## Wednesday

Please read John 21:7, 15–17. What are you passionate about right now?

What would you say your passion for Jesus is right now? What tends to impact that?

*Thank God today that He is passionate about you no matter what! Pray that as you grow in your understanding of Jesus you’ll grow in your passion for Him.*

## Thursday

Please read John 13:1–5 & 21:9–12. What a great example Jesus sets for us when it comes to serving! How have you been impacted by others serving you? How has it impacted you to serve others?

What is something you learn from Jesus’ example in these passages about serving?

*Thank God today for the opportunity to study the Bible and learn from Jesus’ example. Pray that you will be bold in serving others.*



Memory Verse

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”  
John 10:10