

- I. Sometimes “*failure*” is in God’s
plan for *us*
- A. Some *successes* can
sidetrack us
- B. A night of *failure* can precede
a *Sonrise* (of *success*)
- II. The disciples *recognized* the
resurrected Jesus in a *new* way
- A. They recognized *Jesus* by His
work
- B. We can *learn* to *recognize*
Him that *way* too
- III. Jesus *recalls* and He *wants*
us to
- A. When He *calls*, He doesn’t
change His mind
- B. When we *recall*, we gain
insight

Matt 28:8-10; Luke 5:1-11

Acts 16:25-34;
Luke 15:11-19; 12:16-21;
Prov 30:9; Rev 3:17;
Dan 4:1ff;
Prov 14:12; 16:25

Ps 30:5b

Luke 24:13-16, 30-31;
Matt 28:17

Acts 11:1-18; 16:7;
Gen 42:6-7

Rom 11:29; Acts 2:38-39;
Rom 1:7; 8:28;
Mark 1:20; Eph 4:1;
Acts 13:2; Rom 1:1;
Acts 16:7, 10; I Cor 7:17-24;
Phil 3:13-14

II Pet 1:15; Matt 16:5-12

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Text: John 21:1-14

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2. Can you, from what you know of the history of these disciples, fill in some of the potential meaning included in Peter’s words, “I’m going fishing”?
3. Compare this event with the one recorded in Luke 5:1-11. What are some of the similarities? What are some of the differences?
4. How was “failure” a part of God’s plan for these disciples on both of those nights of fishing? How did He use it for His purposes?
5. Can you think of a time when “failure” helped you look to God for His counsel? How did it all work out?
6. Are you in a time of “failure” right now? If your answer is yes and you can share, in what sphere of your life? How might God be involved in all this?
7. What are some of the potential truths the disciples learned from this “fishing lesson”?
8. The disciples seem to recognize Jesus in a new way in this story. How do they recognize Him? Can you show how Jesus intended that and not some other way? Why would He be teaching them this new way? How might that relate to us in our walk with Him?
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