

# Parish of Ferndown

Study sheet for week commencing 6<sup>th</sup> April 2008

## ***After the Resurrection – Fishing Jesus-Style***

### ***John Chapter 21, Verses 1-14***

Jesus appeared on and off to His disciples for forty days after the Resurrection (Acts 1:3). John chose to record only one more of those appearances (20:30, 21:15) to make several points in closing his Gospel. Read John 21: 1-14

1. Why does John choose to include the account in his gospel? What do you think is the central point John means to make by including this episode?
2. Jesus' appearance was quite changed (21:4,12). How did the disciples come to recognise Him on this occasion (21:6-7)? What do you think is the significance of this?
3. What did the disciples learn about Jesus from this appearance (21:12-13)? *(Optional: Compare Luke 24: 41-43)*
4. Why do you think the disciples did not *dare* to ask Jesus who he was (21:12)?
5. Jesus meets his disciples at their work. How would you advise a modern Christian trawler man to relate his work to the presence of Jesus, in the face of dwindling fish stocks, fierce competition, international laws etc?
6. On Sunday the talk focussed on MISSION STRATEGY and the disciples taking part in a great mission. What were the five points mentioned in the talk? What other strategies are there?
7. Consider what mission you are presently undertaking (if you're not plan for one now!), how are you going to succeed in your mission for God?