A Demonstration of Grace

Most all of us are susceptible to discouragement. At one time or another we may have suffered from the "I'm-all-alone" syndrome. There is probably nothing worse than the discouraging thoughts that enter our minds when we feel that we are all alone in the midst of life's struggles. It is during these times that we need to lean, not on our own feelings, but on God's Word.

God himself said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5). Jesus said, "I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). Jesus said, "I will give you another Counselor to be with you forever, the Spirit of Truth" (John 14:16). We have a triune promise of help and encouragement.

The disciples had just experienced the horrendous events surrounding the crucifixion of Jesus. They were a little numbed by it all. They went out on a fishing excursion on the Sea of Galilee - business as usual, so they thought. Suddenly, Jesus appeared on the shore and demonstrated the power of the grace of God. It is no longer business as usual when Jesus is with us. Jesus still stands on the shore of our lives inviting us into a deeper relationship with him. We are no longer alone. We have the grace of God carrying us through the tough times. It is no longer business as usual, but the business of the amazing grace of God.

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**John 21:1-17**

■ MIRACLE OF GRACE

■ MIRACLE OF RESTORATION

■ MIRACLE OF COMMISSION

▪ Love 1 John 1:4

▪ Commission Matthew 28:20

▪ Servanthood Colossians 3:23-24