**Sermon Notes on John 21:1-14** (also Acts 1)

*Some thoughts on living in a season of great uncertainty …*

**What we can learn from the disciples “in the in between”**

1. They did NOT …
2. They did …

Peter decided to go fishing

Matthew 4:19 – was this a correct response?

When we don’t know what to do, we press on with what we DO know.

Note: Peter was not successful until Jesus showed up!

***How can we best use the time we have?***

Jesus came to meet their needs

His presence confirmed the truth of the resurrection.

His preparations met the physical needs of their lives.

***Where do you see Jesus showing up in your life in these days?***

The disciples “waited” as Jesus had directed

Acts 1:4 –

The result of God’s timing = Acts 2

Note also Isaiah 40:31

***What is the benefit of “waiting on the Lord?”***

The disciples prepared to be “witnesses” of Jesus

Acts 1:8

What we say is more than what *we think*; it is God’s Truth.

What we say is carefully exhibited in our lives and actions.

***What do you know of Jesus and what stories of his presence can you tell today?***

The disciples worked to select another disciple in place of Judas Iscariot

Acts 1:21-26

Should they not have waited for Jesus’ selection of Paul (Acts 9)?

Note Paul’s own statement in 1 Corinthians 15:8-9.

***How can you continue the work of Christ’s Church in these days?***

The disciples prayed

Acts 1:14 – but also 32 other references in Acts to prayer!

No matter what or where, we can ALWAYS pray.

Remember 2 Chronicles 7:14 –

***For what can you pray today?***