

## THE DIFFERENCE

Today I want to turn our focus to the resurrection of Jesus Christ and answer the question, “***What difference does the resurrection make?***”

### THE FISHERMAN

**Luke 5:1-11**

### THE DISCIPLE

**Matthew 16:16** – You are the Christ the Son of the living God. (NIV)

### THE DECLARATION

**Matthew 26:31-33**- Then Jesus told them, "This very night you will all fall away on account of me... <sup>33</sup>Peter replied, "**Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will.**" (NIV)

### THE SHAKEN BELIEVER

**Matthew 26:57-58** – Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas, the high priest, where the teachers of the law and the elders had assembled. **58 But Peter followed him at a distance**, right up to the courtyard of the high priest. He entered and sat down with the guards to see the outcome. (NIV)

## THE WATCHER

**Matthew 26:58** - ...He entered and sat down with the guards to see the outcome.

## THE DENIER

**Mark 15:17-19**- They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. <sup>18</sup>And they began to call out to him, "Hail, king of the Jews!" <sup>19</sup>Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him....

**Matthew 26:67-68**: Then they spit in his face and struck him. And some slapped him, <sup>68</sup>saying, "Prophecy to us, you Christ! Who is it that struck you?"

**Matthew 26:74** - ...then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know the man." Immediately a rooster crowed.

**Luke 22:61**- The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter.

**Titus 1:16**- They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him.

## THE FISHERMAN...AGAIN

**John 21:3** – "I'm going fishing..."

**John 21:4-5** – Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>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. (NIV)

## THE FEARLESS LEADER

### Peter in the book of Acts

- Preaching and 3000 are saved...
- Next Peter declaring to the lame man... Silver and Gold have I none...
- Peter who sang praise at midnight, beaten and imprisoned...
- next we see that people were healed on the street as Peters shadow passed over them
- Leader of the first century church

The resurrection makes all the difference