

## **SOAP – Let's Dive In!**

**THE BIG CATCH:** Re-tell John 21:1-17 using the FISH. Hand each student a fish which

has a word on it that connects somehow to the story. Have students

tell by describing what their words have to do with the story.

## **DEEP DIVE:**

1. Who went fishing? (7 disciples)

- 2. How many fish were caught in the net? (153)
- 3. What time of day was it? (dawn)
- 4. What did Jesus ask three times? (Do you love me?)
- 5. What can we do when we make mistakes? (Pray and ask God for forgiveness, try again!)

Tell the students how Jesus loves us so much He doesn't give up on us but gives us second and third chances to realize we need to ask for forgiveness. No mistake is ever too DEEP to be forgiven by Him.

## **MAKING WAVES:**

**Snack:** Pirates Booty

Game #1: Deep, Deep, Love Fishing Game

Kids will be "fishing" for a prize.

Game #2: Tic Tac Toe, Thumb Wars, and Rock, Paper & Scissors

Play the above listed games against each other.

**CRAFT: Fishers of Men** 

Have the kids write 3 people they can share the story of Jesus with on their fish. On the other side they will be placing a sticker which will invite them to Hopekids next Fall. Place the fish into the baggie and decorate the bag making it look like a net. Add the rod using tape.

## **PRAYER:**

Jesus, help us to love you and others. We have learned that your love will never end – it is always, it is for everyone, it is steady, and it is greater than anything in this life. Thank you, God, for sending your Son Jesus into the world to save us from our sins and have a forever friend who guides us, protects us and loves us! Amen