



"He has risen."

Appearing on the Shore - John 21:1-14

Granny B, Delbert and Lello were walking through the flower field enjoying the warm sun and the fragrant flowers. They were talking about Jesus when Granny B mentioned Jesus is risen. Delbert stopped walking.

"What does that mean—He is risen?" Delbert asked Granny B.

Granny B thought for a moment. "I have an idea; why don't we head down toward the stream and I'll tell you two a story from the Bible."

Delbert and Lello let out an excited yell and galloped toward the stream with Granny B trying her best to keep up.

Once they reached the stream, the three sat down by the water and Granny B opened her Bible. "Let's look inside the Bible:"

After Jesus had risen, He appeared again to His disciples on the seashore. Here is how it happened. Simon Peter, Thomas and other disciples were together. They decided to go out and fish. That night, they caught nothing. Early in the morning Jesus stood on the shore, but the men did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus called out to them, "Friends, have you caught any fish?" They answered "No!" Then Jesus said, "Throw your nets on the right side of the boat and you will catch some." They did as He told them and caught so many fish that the net was too full and heavy to lift into the boat. Right away the disciples knew that the man on the shore was Jesus. He invited them to come have breakfast with Him and so they did.

"Granny B, why did Jesus appear on the shore?" Lello asked.

"Jesus wanted his friends, the disciples, to see He had truly risen! He did that by coming to the shore and performing a miracle for the fishermen. When they saw the miracle catch of fish, they knew it was Jesus because they had seen Him do a miracle like this before," Granny B answered.

"Haw! I bet they were happy to know for sure that Jesus had really risen and was really alive!" Delbert exclaimed.

"Yes, my wise little donkey, they must have been very happy indeed," Granny B said with a smile.