Evening Lesson

IS IGNORANCE BLISS? John 21:4

INTRO:

- 1. I have heard, and used, the saying that ignorance is bliss.
- 2. There is some truth to that under the right circumstances; however, there are many times it is far from the truth.
- I. LACK OF KNOWLEDGE DUE TO YOUTHFUL INNOCENCE.

(1 Sam. 3:7 Luke 2:52; John 13:31; 21:5; 1 John 3:1; Matt. 22:37)

II. BUT CHILDREN MUST GROW UP. (2 Pet. 3:18; Eph. 4:15, 16; 1 Pet. 2:2; Heb. 5:12-14; 1 Cor. 3:1-3; 1 Cor. 10:1-4; John 6:26-40, 48-51)

CONC:

- 1. There will be no comfort found in ignorance on that last great day. (Matt. 7:21-23; Matt. 25:41-46)
- 2. To get to know the light and beauty of a life in Christ is an amazing thing.
- 3. In **John 21**, Jesus was less than 100 yards away and they did not know who it was.
- 4. But his presence, his voice and his miracle revealed his identity and Peter couldn't wait so he jumped in and swam to shore.
- When you get home Google or Bing search for "I didn't know the world could be this beautiful."
- That we could have the youthful exuberance of Peter to abandon ourselves and jump in to get close to Jesus is something we should all desire.