

JESUS RESTORES THE BROKEN

John 21.15-19 // February 6, 2022

DO YOU LOVE ME?

Jesus found Peter back where he started: fishing on the Sea of Galilee. At breakfast, he asks Peter, "Simon, Son of John, do you love me more than these?" A couple things we notice first:

- 1). Jesus calls him "Simon," rather than "Peter."
- 2). Peter is asked if he loves Jesus more than the other disciples do.

In this exchange, Jesus asks Peter if he has "agape" love, which is perfect, unconditional love, but Peter curiously responds by saying that he has "phileo" love for Jesus which is a brotherly type friendship love.

Upon the third inquiry, Jesus changes His word for love to "phileo," seemingly meeting Peter where he is at, and Peter, realizing he has been restored three times, breaks down in humility.

A RIGHTEOUS MAN STANDS

For many, a failure like Peter's would be a death blow to us given the condemnation and shame. We can convince ourselves that we are damaged goods, unable for God to use us.

Proverbs 24.16

There is no pit so deep, where Christ is not deeper still.

-Corrie Ten Boom

What is most important in view here is not Peter's failure, nor his apparent "lesser" love for Jesus, but what is in view is Jesus' ability and His desire to restore us, despite our failures and weaknesses.

GOD FULFILLS HIS PURPOSE

**Peter's honest, humble, transparent,
Broken, and vulnerable response to Jesus
Brought about FAR more real fruit
than his boldest claims ever could.**

God uses every event and every trial to build us in a way that accomplishes His purpose. He will never be done with you until the day He takes you home. His grace is enough and though we fall seven times, He lifts us up.

2 Corinthians 12.8-10 // 1 Corinthians 6.11 // John 6.66-68



NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

2 Corinthians 4:6

For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **John 21.15-19**. What stands out in this passage and from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

How does this 1:1 ratio of failure and restoration shine light into your own condemnation? As it pertains to things that hold you down, what does the simple command of "follow Me" and "feed my lambs" look like in your life?

Your Life Mission

God has given us the ministry of reconciliation, and we are to aim to bring the restorative message of the Gospel to the ears of others who, like Peter, are buried in their own shame. What relationships in your life would you like prayer for, maybe even that you are a little fearful of when it comes to sharing the Gospel? How does the excitement of Heaven motivate you?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself** (Matthew 6.9, 10)
 - Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God's goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week's text.
- **Repent and Confess** (Matthew 6.12)
 - Real repentance begins where blame-shifting stops. Your circumstances don't need to change, your heart needs to change. Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.
- **Ask for Provision** (Matthew 6.11-13)
 - Ask God for new perspective and for the things that you need. Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. When your heart is begin filled with the Gospel first, your asking will be far more in line with God's desires and will. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God's love with.
- **Yield with Thanksgiving** (Matthew 6.10)
 - End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.



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