

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

Jesus Reinstates Peter

John 21:1-19

1. In John 21, Jesus recreates a familiar moment from Peter's past —from the miraculous catch of fish to the conversation on the shore. Why do you think Jesus chose to meet Peter in this way after Peter had denied Him three times?
2. Read John 21:15–17 alongside Matthew 26:33–35. After Peter's failure, Jesus doesn't focus on Peter's mistakes but repeatedly asks, "Do you love me?" What does this reveal about Jesus' heart for people who have let Him down?
3. Peter responded to shame by returning to what felt familiar and comfortable. When you experience failure, disappointment, or regret, where are you most tempted to retreat for comfort or control?
4. Tim Keller wrote, "We are more sinful and flawed in ourselves than we ever dared believe, yet at the same time more loved and accepted in Jesus Christ than we ever dared hope." Which

part of that statement do you find easier to believe, and which part do you find more challenging?

5. Malachi 3:2–3 describes God as a refiner who purifies and restores. Is there an area of your life where you sense God is shaping, correcting, or refining your character? How can you cooperate with His work rather than resist it?

6. Jesus ended His conversation with Peter the same way He began it three years earlier: "Follow me" (John 21:19). What is one practical step you can take this week to move forward with Jesus instead of being held back by a past failure, regret, or disappointment?