

TALK IT OVER

Changing the World Together: The Restoration of Simon Peter

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Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group or use one of these.

Share a time you messed something up but it ended up turning out okay?

Please read **Luke 22:55-62 and John 21:15-17** aloud.

- What does it mean to be fully present and honest in our relationships, just as Peter had to be with Jesus?

Luke 17:3-4 NCV

"So be careful! If another follower sins, warn him, and if he is sorry and stops sinning, forgive him. If he sins against you seven times in one day and says that he is sorry each time, forgive him.."

- How do repeated failures (like Peter's) test our ability to forgive, and what does Jesus expect from His followers in those moments?

1 John 1:9 TPT

"But if we freely admit our sins when his light uncovers them, he will be faithful to forgive us every time. God is just to forgive us our sins because of Christ, and he will continue to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

- Why does Jesus tie forgiveness to repentance so closely and how does that help us understand moments of repentance after?

Please read **Luke 22:31-32** aloud.

- How can we encourage others in our community to pursue restoration and get back into purposeful action?

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Start Praying: Be bold and pray with power.

Father, we thank You for the story of Simon Peter - a story that looks so much like ours. Thank You that You are a God who meets us in our successes and our failures. You invite us to look You in the eye, and to stand on Your grace instead of holding tightly onto shame. Now send us back into action - renewed, forgiven, and ready to live out the purpose You've given us. In Your name we pray, amen.

Leader: Make time to pray for and with each other. Break into groups of three, take time for healing prayer or pray with individuals requesting prayer. This is important!

Start Doing this Week:

Embrace the story of Simon Peter's restoration. How does it fit into your life - your walk with Jesus - your action for God?

Read **Matthew 22:36-40**. How does this fit with our restoration and the restoration of others?