



Restoration

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2. Leaves us _____.
(John 21:7-14; C/R: Hebrews 12:28-29)

► Outline

In His kindness God called you to share in His eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, He will restore, support and strengthen you, and He will place you on a firm foundation.

1 Peter 5:10 (NLT)

A. Introduction

(1 Peter 5:10; C/R: Matthew 28:16)

3. _____ our purpose.
(John 21:15-19; C/R Matthew 4:19;16:18)

B. Christ's Restoration...

1. _____ our Limitations.
(John 21:1-6; C/R: Romans 3:10-11)

Answers: B. 1. Declares, 2. dumbfounded 3. Defines

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit brookwoodchurch.org/adults.

Conversation Starter

What's a favorite activity you use to relax?

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read John 21:1-19

1. Peter and the disciples didn't know exactly what to do after Jesus' death and resurrection, so they went back to fishing. What do you fall back on when you're unsure of God's plans? How do you talk to God about it?
2. The disciples weren't successful at catching fish until they followed Jesus' direction. Describe a time you failed on your own and turned to Jesus to follow His direction.
3. Jesus invited the disciples into relationship through a meal with Him. How has Jesus invited you into a relationship with Him? Describe that invitation and how you responded.
4. Peter had failed Jesus and felt that his denial of Christ would be the end of his calling. Think of a time you felt like you failed God's calling. How did you deal with that situation? How did you include God as you sought restoration?
5. Despite Peter's denials, Jesus restored Peter to his mission and purpose. Do you feel that when you've stumbled, Jesus has restored you? Describe a time you were restored by Jesus.
6. Once Peter's restoration occurred, he was ready for his mission. How open are you to what God has planned for you? Pray and ask God to reveal His plans to you.

7. After hearing Jesus' words, Peter was no longer defined by the words of those around him. Whose words define you? How does Jesus define you? Let His words strengthen and guide you.
8. Jesus told Peter how his life would end, dying on a cross. Peter gladly continued his mission despite knowing how he would die. Do you fear consequences for sharing the Good News of Jesus? How do you deal with these fears, and how do you ask God to help you overcome them?
9. What's the mission God is calling you to do? Brookwood offers a PLACE class to assist you in seeking God's specific purpose in your life. Visit brookwoodchurch.org/place for details.

Spiritual Practice

A spiritual practice is something we can do to help us live in and enjoy God's grace. Our hope is that these would become a regular part of your life, so that walking and talking with God is the most natural thing you do.

One way you can grow closer to God is to spend time in His creation. This week, spend time walking outside, praying and thanking God for His wonderful presence.

Memory Verse

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Daily Reading

Day 1: Matthew 28:16

Day 4: Matthew 4:19

Day 2: Romans 3:10-11

Day 5: Matthew 16:18

Day 3: Hebrews 12:28-29

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, January 8, we'll begin a new series, *Promises and Power*, a walk through the life of Joshua. To prepare, read **Joshua 1**.



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