

Message Outline

Character Study on Simon Peter:
Denial and Reinstatement of Peter



John 18, 21

Intro: Studying the life of Simon Peter...

- Last week, the prelude to the low point in Peter's life...
-Lesson last week: Our sin might surprise us, but it doesn't surprise our Savior.

Read: John 18

v.1—Prayer and final night...

- Peter's denial begins with a failure to pray with Jesus (cf. Mk.14:37-42)...

v.2-6—Power of Jesus even at arrest...

v.7-10—Peter's slashing, Jesus' healing (Lk.22:51)...

v.11-14—Arrest of Jesus...

v.15-18—First denial...

- Notice the specific "fire" detail...

v.19-24—First of multiple trials for Jesus...

v.25-27—Threefold denial by Peter...

- Would we have done differently?
- God's response: the cross/resurrection leads into the reinstatement of Peter...

Read: John 21

v.1-6—Peter's been in this boat

before...details that echo first experience.

v.7—Why does Peter jump for Jesus???

v.8-9—There's that "fire" again...memories of denial flooding back to Peter???

v.10-14—Full tummies before tough convos...

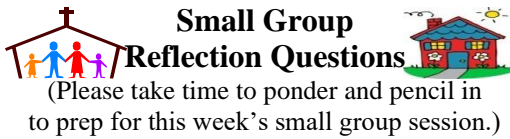
v.15-17—Why the same question 3x by Jesus?

A 3x denial by Peter...

v.18-19—A call to follow once more...

The Journey Back: The Reinstatement

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- 2) _____
- 3) _____



Read: John 1:19-51

**From this passage, who is Jesus and/or what's this say about life in Him (cf. Jn.20:30-31)?*

**What spoke to you this past Sunday (ie. what made you laugh, learn, look deeper at life etc.)?*

**The sight/smell of a charcoal fire is a key sense in both the denial/reinstatement of Peter. What are some smells that come with memories for you? What is both the aroma and the event?*

**The threefold denial of Jesus is Peter's epic fail. What are some other epic fails by people in Scripture, and how does God respond to them?*

**Can you think of a situation where you didn't stand up for Jesus?*

**What do you think Jesus means by telling Peter to feed/take care of Jesus' lambs/sheep (v.15-17)? Do we today have that responsibility to care for Christ's flock? What does that look like?*