

Family Discipleship Devotional (To Be Led by Parent)

Suggested uses: during family devotions, meal time, long family car rides, etc.

Follow-Up to KidsQuest Online September 27, 2020

Truth (John 21:1-19- Jesus Forgives Peter)

Peter was one of Jesus's disciples, but he was not perfect. The night before Jesus was killed, Peter promised he would follow Jesus anywhere. Yet that same night he denied knowing Jesus three times, because he was scared that he would be arrested too. Jesus said this would happen and Peter felt ashamed and wondered if Jesus still loved him.

Not long after Jesus came back to life, Peter and some friends went fishing but caught nothing all night. In the morning, a man appeared on the shore and told them to cast the nets on the right side of the boat. They caught so many fish they could not bring them into the boat! John realized this man must be Jesus and Peter got so excited he jumped into the sea to swim to Jesus. Once on shore they realized Jesus had cooked them breakfast! After they ate, Jesus spoke to Peter saying "Peter, do you love me more than these?" He asked this question three times and every time Peter would say "Yes my Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus would then tell Peter to feed his sheep. This meant Jesus wanted him to take care of his people. Jesus forgave Peter and told him he wanted his help to spread the Gospel to all people!

Equipping (Discussion questions)

- 1. How does Peter hurt Jesus? He says he does not know him and denies their friendship
- 2. Why does Jesus ask Peter if he loves him three times? Because he denied him three times, so to show his redemption
- 3. Why does Jesus forgive Peter for what he has done? Because Jesus loves Peter! He died for the sins of his people including Peter's. Even though Peter sinned he could still repent and continue to serve the Lord.

Accountability

- 1. How do you react when a friend hurts you? Do you forgive them or try to get back at them?
- 2. How can we work on being more forgiving like Jesus was with Peter?
- 3. Is there someone you need to forgive for something they have done?



A friend loves at all times. They are there to help when trouble comes.



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Mission

In John 21:17 Jesus tells Peter to "feed his sheep."

- 1. What does this mean for you and your family?
- 2. How can you help to take care of Jesus's people by sharing the Gospel?

Supplication

- 1. Do you have any prayer requests?
- 2. Let's Pray: Jesus, thank you for forgiving us of our sins and being a friend to us just like you were to Peter. Lord, we are sinful and need your help to forgive others. We pray that you would work in our hearts, making them soft and not hard, so that we can forgive others when they hurt us and not hurt them back.



- 1. Peter promised Jesus that he would follow Jesus anywhere. (True)
- 2. Peter was sitting on a chair sipping soda when Jesus was arrested. (False)
- 3. People told ten people that he didn't know Jesus. (False he told three people)
- 4. After Jesus was gone, Peter felt bad about denying Jesus. (True)
- 5. When Jesus came back everything was okay with Peter and Jesus (False- Peter felt bad and wondered if Jesus was mad at him.)
- 6. Peter and the other disciples went fishing in the middle of the night and caught hundreds of fish. (False they spent all night fishing and caught nothing.)
- 7. All the disciples saw a man standing on the lakeshore early in the morning after their fishing trip. (True)
- 8. Peter was so excited to see Jesus that he steered the boat to the shore. (False, he was so excited to see Jesus that he jumped into the water and swam to Jesus.)
- 9. Jesus started a fire and asked the disciples to eat breakfast with Him. (True)
- 10. After breakfast Jesus pulled John aside to talk to him. (False He pulled Peter aside to talk to him)
- 11. Jesus asked Peter three times if Peter loved Jesus. (True. The same amount of times that Peter denied Jesus.)
- 12. Jesus told Peter that everything will be easy as a result of following Him. (False Jesus told Peter that life would be difficult.)
- 13. Jesus forgave Peter so completely that he trusted Peter with the big job of caring for all his followers. (True)



FORGIVENESS BRINGS...

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Find the following words in the puzzle. Words are hidden \rightarrow and Ψ .

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