

KNOWING REAL POWER**The Restoration of Peter****John 21**

“Feed my sheep.” John 21:17

1. Read John 21:1–14. What have the disciples been doing all night?
2. What earlier fishing trip does this resemble? (Luke 5:1–11) How are the two trips similar? How are they different?
3. What new kind of fishing does Jesus call his disciples to do? (Luke 5:10b; John 20:21; Matthew 28:19–20) Are you included in this call? Who is Jesus sending you to?
4. List everything that Jesus does for his disciples in this story. How does this help you as you think about what Jesus is calling you to do?
5. How do you think Peter feels when he realizes that it is Jesus on the beach? How do you think he feels when he smells the fire? (John 18:18)
6. Why does Peter’s relationship with Jesus need to be restored? (Psalm 55:12–14; Luke 22:54–62) Describe a time when your relationship with Jesus needed restoration?
7. Read John 21:15–25. What questions does Jesus ask Peter? Why are these important questions? What job does Jesus give Peter? Why do you think Jesus gives him a job as part of his restoration?

8. How does Jesus' restoration of Peter change the way you think about your own sins and failures?
How does Jesus' restoration of Peter change the way you interact with someone who has hurt you?

9. What does Jesus promise Peter after he restores him? (vss. 18–19)

10. What does Peter want to know about “the other disciple”? (vs. 21) What is Jesus' response? (vs. 22) How do Jesus' words help you when you compare your life to others?

11. Read the last verse of John. Write down some of the “many other things” that Jesus has done in you as you have read the book of John. Would you be willing to share those things next week at our sharing time?