

Life Together Group Questions
May 12, 2013
John 21:1-21

- When you think about Peter's denial of Jesus how does it strike you?...as something that is understandable? ...or something that is despicable?
- Read Mark 8:27-29 then vs.38. How do you think knowing these two truths affected Peter after he denied Jesus?
- Why do you think Peter decided to go fishing? (vss.1-3) Are there things you do when you are stuck and perhaps feel like you don't know what to do?
- Read Luke 5:4-11. How is this similar to vss.4-11? What is going on here between Jesus and his disciples? Is there any significance to 153 fish being caught and the net not breaking?
- Why did Peter jump into the water when he heard from John "it is the Lord?" (vs.7)
- Why would John comment about Jesus in vs.12 that know one asked who Jesus was, that they knew it was the Lord? Do you think that Jesus had appearance had changed after His death and resurrection?
- With the meal that Jesus provides on the beach (vss. 9-13) what do you think the mood was as they ate together?
- How did that mood change once Jesus started asking Peter if he loved Him? (vss.15-17) How do you think this conversation affected the other disciples as they seem to be right there when it happens?
- Why is the question asked of Peter "do you love Me?" Why not something like "will you be loyal?" or "will you die for me?"
- Why does Jesus say "feed my lambs" (vs.15), "take care of my sheep" (vs16); "feed my sheep"(vs.17) as a response to Peter saying "you know I love you."
- What do you see going on between Jesus and Peter and this dialogue?
- Read vss. 18-19. What did was Jesus communicating with Peter that His future held? Read 1 Peter 4:13-14. How do you think Peter's attitude about suffering for Christ had changed over time?
- Read vss.20-22. Peter seems concerned about equity in following Christ. Do you ever get caught up in that? If so how do you break free from it?
- Have you ever felt stuck because of your own failure? What hope does this passage give you?
- How has Jesus revealed Himself to you in this passage? What can you take away to share with others?
- What is a question you want to ask that did not get asked?