

# FEAST

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## ON RESTORATION

### **SUMMARY:**

Our sermon series, *Feast*, takes place during the season of Lent, which is a 40-day period of time in which we prepare our hearts for Easter. It's a time of self-examination, reflection, and repentance so that we can follow Jesus at a deeper level.

This week's sermon focuses on restoration. This is the act of returning something to a former condition. Through Jesus we are restored to a right relationship with God and to the type of humans God intended us to be. We all need another chance; in Jesus we get that chance.

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

Pastor Derwin goes through the story of Peter eating a fish breakfast with the resurrected Jesus. In this story we get a glimpse into Peter's restoration, which he later reflects on in his letter. Take time to read through the story in its entirety. Read John 21:12-19. Talk about a time when you experienced restoration in a relationship that was previously broken.

Read John 21:12-15.

- Why is Jesus asking Peter if he loves Him? (*Think back to Peter's denial in John 18:15-18; 25-26*)

Read 1 Peter 1:18-22.

- Peter wrote this letter later in life. How do you think his experience with Jesus in John 21 shaped what he shared in these verses?

Read John 21:15-17.

- What does it mean to "feed my sheep"?
- What is our calling as people who love Jesus? What are ways you live that out in your everyday life?

Read 1 Peter 2:9.

- What is your identity?

- What happens as a result of your identity?
- Tell about the last time you told someone about God's "wonderful/marvelous light." What did you share? How was it received? What happened as a result?

Read John 21:18-19.

- Pastor Derwin mentioned that our grit is restored to live a cruciform life. What is grit? Why is it important?
- Cruciform means to be shaped by the cross. For Peter, he literally was crucified, but how are each of us called to carry our crosses?

Read 1 Peter 1:7-9.

- What do trials do to our faith?
- What is the reward?

End your time praying for grit as you seek to live cruciform lives empowered by the Holy Spirit.

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