



DIGGING DEEPER

John 21 & Acts 2:1-41: A Surprise Ending?

Pastor Josh concluded our series through the book of John. We studied the restoration of Peter and the events surrounding Pentecost. We learned what can happen when we are WITH Jesus and the Holy Spirit is WITH us!

➤ **LEADER NOTE:** One of the main takeaways from this season of small groups should be encouraging your group members to take what they read and respond through the way they live. Make sure to encourage application and response in your reading, discussion, and prayer.

DISCUSS

As we conclude our study on John, as a group read John 20:31 and use this as a frame of reference for the rest of our study. And begin thinking about how our study in John has shaped or catalyzed change in your life with Jesus.

Using the SOAP method, read through our text. Share your observations with your group. Make sure to spend time asking your group about their observations.

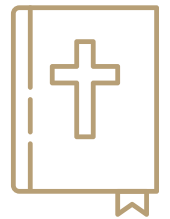
Opening Question: Who is your favorite non family member to spend time with? What do you do that is so fulfilling or life giving?

1. Why do you think Paul chose to return to his old life of fishing after Jesus was crucified?
2. What does Jesus' interaction with Peter in verses 15-19 mean to you? How does this translate into our own lives?
3. What is different about Peter in the book of Acts? What enables this?
4. What was the impact of the Holy Spirit then and how is the Holy Spirit changing and impacting you now?
5. Do you believe you have ever been enabled by the Holy Spirit to do something? How did it feel and what did you do?

PRAY

This study through the book of John has been timely and challenging. Read John 20:31 out loud as a group. What stands out to you as a high point or an area that you have grown in as a result of this series? How has the book of John enabled you to better live life with Jesus? Read John 20:31 out loud. Spend some time sharing what God has done in your life since January and then spend some time in prayer celebrating what God has done.

THE SOAP BIBLE STUDY METHOD



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SCRIPTURE

Work through the text slowly getting a picture of the entire context

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OBSERVATION

What observations do you see in the narrative or events?

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APPLICATION

How do you think this applied to people contextually and today?

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PRAYER

Ask God to use what you've read to deepen your relationship with him.

