

REVIEW: I'm going fishing

John 21:15-25

(15) So, when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Feed My lambs."

(16) He said to him again a second time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend My sheep."

(17) He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep."

(18) Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; but when you are old, you

will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish."

(19) This He spoke, signifying by what death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, "Follow Me."

(20) Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper, and said, "Lord, who is the one who betrays You?"

(21) Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, "But Lord, what about this man?"

(22) Jesus said to him, "If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you? You follow Me."

(23) Then this saying went out among the brethren that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but, "If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you?"

(24) This is the disciple who testifies of these things, and wrote these things; and we know that his testimony is true.

(25) And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen.

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In this message, Jesus asks Peter three times whether he loves Him.

1 – Peter answers. Yes, you know that I love you.

2 – Yes, Lord, you know I love you.

3 – The Third Time...

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Peter's last response was one of confession and humility. There are moments where:

1. Peter never intended to deny Jesus.
Sometimes your actions don't line up with
your intentions.

2. Peter thought he was past his denial phase
only to find himself doing it again.
You fall short in ways you thought you
were past.

3. Peter felt the gap between who he actually
was versus who believed he should have
been.

You come to grips with your failure and
your shortfalls and realize you need God.

It is in these places, where prayer becomes less
polished and more raw: “God, You know me.
You know I love you even if I'm failing right
now.”

That's not hypocrisy..... that's honesty.

Psalms 51:17 The sacrifices of God are a
broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart—
These, O God, You will not despise.

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Peter was given the news that he would die for Christ and then commissioned to follow Jesus anyway.

There are too many people who come to Christ believing there is no sacrifice. This is far from the truth. This is the reason many people never live in the victory that is in Christ.

Living for Christ is living a sacrificial life.

Luke 9:23

“If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.”

John 16:33

“In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

I want to add...Living for Christ is not just about you; it is about Him and His body.

The apostles lived for Christ and died, not because they lived holy and quiet but because they spoke the gospel.

Peter, then accepting his fate, turns to John...What about him? Jesus responds not your business....

1 Corinthians 3:12-13 Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, (13) **each one's work** will become clear; for **the Day will declare it**, because it **will be revealed by fire**; and **the fire will test each one's work**, of what sort it is.