

LIFEwork for the week starting May 12, 2019 JESUS > my insecurities

#### **SHARE**

1. What are some things that make moms feel insecure? What are some things that combat that insecurity?

#### **READ**

- 2. Read Philippians 4:4-9. There is a connection in these verses between putting the things we have "learned and received and heard and seen" into practice and the presence of the God of peace. What kind of unique security comes from the God we hear about in Scripture?
- 3. Read John 21:15-19. Imagine how awkward it must have been for Peter to be in Jesus' presence after his colossal failures. What does Jesus do to address Peter's failures? What is the result in Peter's life?
- 4. Read Psalm 139:13-16. If our identity and security come from God, what do verses like this do to bolster our sense of self? List some other examples of places in Scripture where God reminds us what a special creation we are.

## **APPLY**

5. God gives us hands-on opportunities to apply His grace, mercy and peace in our relationships. Obviously, one of them is motherhood. In what other vocations has God placed you, in order that you would nurture others in these gifts?

## **PRAY**

Pray for the inadequacies and insecurities (real or perceived) of others within the group, that God would affirm them to live in humble confidence, and grant the strength to carry out vocations faithfully.



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"Whatever you have <u>LEARNED</u> and <u>RECEIVED</u> and <u>HEARD</u> and <u>SEEN</u> in me - <u>PRACTICE</u> these things, and the God of <u>PEACE</u> will be with you." -Philippians 4:9

What Jesus declares as <u>FACT</u> about me matters more than the <u>OPINION</u> of anyone else (including <u>MY OWN!</u>)

Our failures do not **DEFINE** us, but they do **FORM** us.

#### Lessons in failure:

- 1. EVERYONE fails!
- 2. Failure is an <u>OPPORTUNITY</u> for either a <u>POSITIVE</u> or <u>NEGATIVE</u> response.
- 3. We are called to be PREPARED to fail.
  - a. WALK
  - b. PRAYER
  - c. WORD
  - d. PERSPECTIVE

Simon Peter, the **LOVING** LAMB FEEDER

Moving from COMPARISON to VOCATION

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