



GUIDED BIBLE STUDY

Called Despite Failure

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Highlighted Scripture

Acts 9:36–42

Tabitha, a woman known for kindness and service, dies unexpectedly. Peter is called to pray for her, and through God's power she is restored to life, leading many people to believe in the Lord.

John 21:15–19

After Peter denied Jesus, Jesus restores him by asking three times, "Do you love Me?" and commissions him again to care for His people and continue the work God called him to do.

Discussion Questions

- **Why do you think Peter may have struggled after denying Jesus?**
- **What does Jesus' restoration of Peter teach us about grace and calling?**

- **How can failure sometimes make people want to give up on serving God?**
- **What stands out to you about Tabitha's life and reputation?**
- **Are there areas where God may be asking you to keep going instead of giving up?**

Reflection Challenge

Focus on moving forward in faith despite past failures or discouragement.

Ask yourself:

- **Am I allowing guilt or failure to keep me from what God is calling me to do?**
- **Have I believed the lie that God cannot still use me?**
- **What gifts, opportunities, or callings might God be asking me to step back into?**

Try this:

- **Spend time thanking God for His grace and restoration**
- **Take one step toward serving or encouraging someone this week**
- **Reflect on how God has remained faithful to you even after mistakes**

Remember

- **Failure does not disqualify you from God's purposes**
- **Jesus restores and recommissions broken people**

- **God can still work powerfully through imperfect lives**
- **Your calling may impact people in ways you cannot yet see**

Prayer

Father God,

**Thank You that my failures are not greater than Your grace.
Help me to trust that You can still use me for Your purposes.
Give me courage to keep walking forward and serving
faithfully.**

**Restore what discouragement and shame have tried to steal
from me.**

In Jesus' name,

Amen.

