

Group Link

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Series Title: Lent

Sermon Title: Shame On You **Scripture Reference(s):** John 21

DISCOVER

Today, we heard the fourth sermon in our Lent series heading into Easter. During Lent, we focus our attention inward to re-examine our lives and the brokenness that exists there. JP shared his three main points: Jesus pursues us in our shame; Jesus restores our shame; and Jesus moves us back on mission. Jesus uses Peter's multiple denials as a way to ultimately restore him. God has a way of turning our shame, frustration, and weak

moments as tools to bring people to Him. May we allow God to free us from shame and then transform it into a tool for our good and His glory.

UNDERSTAND

- 1. What are some physical items that you've held onto or kept for no real reason?
- 2. Share a time in your life that you have experienced shame and regret.
- 3. Read Micah 7:18. Why do we so easily forget that God "delights to show mercy"?
- 4. What do you carry around that you need to release and let go? In what areas of your life do you struggle to accept God's forgiveness and mercy?
- 5. How have you seen your story used as a connector for relationships with others?
- 6. How can this group pray for you tonight? What has you stuck that God needs to restore?