

The Resurrection Changes Everything

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FROM FAILURE TO RESTORATION

JOHN 21:1–19 (NLT)

- The resurrection doesn't just prove Jesus is alive — it proves your failure isn't final.

LUKE 22:60–62, NLT “Peter said, ‘Man, I don’t know what you are talking about.’ And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. At that moment the Lord turned and looked at Peter... Peter left the courtyard, weeping bitterly.”

- You can be forgiven by God and still feel stuck in your failure.

1) **SHAME MAKES YOU GO BACK**

JOHN 21:1–3, NLT

“Simon Peter said, ‘I’m going fishing.’ ‘We’ll come, too,’ they all said. So they went out in the boat, but they caught nothing all night.”

- When you don't know who you are anymore, you go back to who you used to be.

2) **JESUS MEETS YOU IN WHAT YOU RAN BACK TO**

JOHN 21:4–6, 9, NLT “At dawn Jesus was standing on the beach, but the disciples couldn't see who he was... Then he said, ‘Throw out your net on the right-hand side of the boat, and you'll get some!’ So they did, and they couldn't haul in the net because there were so many fish in it... When they got there, they found breakfast waiting for them—fish cooking over a charcoal fire, and some bread.”

- Jesus will step into the very place you tried to run from Him to.

3) **JESUS RESTORES WHAT FAILURE BROKE**

JOHN 21:15–17, NLT

- God can't heal who you pretend to be — only who you really are.

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4) **JESUS REBUILDS WHAT SHAME TRIED TO REMOVE**

JOHN 21:15–17, NLT “Then feed my lambs... Take care of my sheep... Feed my sheep.”

- Jesus does not just restore Peter emotionally He restores him missionally
- Your failure didn't cancel your calling.

5) **JESUS REWRITES YOUR STORY**

JOHN 21:18–19, NLT

- What looked like your ending, Jesus can rewrite into your legacy.

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OUR RESPONSE
STEP INTO OUR RESTORATION

1) STEP OUT OF WHAT SHAME SENT YOU BACK TO

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17, NLT “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!”

- Don't build a life in the place your failure sent you.

2) MEET JESUS WITH HONEST LOVE

- Jesus did not ask Peter for perfection He asked him for honesty
- Restoration does not start with performance It starts with honesty
- Jesus isn't asking for an impressive answer, He's asking for a real one.

3) STEP BACK INTO WHAT JESUS IS CALLING YOU TO

EPHESIANS 2:8, 10

- What shame tried to shut down, Jesus is calling back to life.

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