

# Life Group Homework

For the week of April 30, 2017

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## QUICK REVIEW

1. Upon reviewing your notes from Sunday's teaching, was there anything that caught your attention?

## DIGGING DEEPER

This week we will be unpacking the life of Peter.  
Read the following verses and answer the following question.

Matthew 4:18-22

<sup>18</sup> While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup> And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." <sup>20</sup> Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup> And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup> Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

2. What do you learn about Peter from this passage?

Matthew 14:28-33

<sup>28</sup> And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

3. What do you learn about Peter from this passage?

Mark 14:26-32

And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. <sup>27</sup> And Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' <sup>28</sup> But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." <sup>29</sup> Peter said to him, "Even though they all fall

away, I will not." <sup>30</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." <sup>31</sup> But he said emphatically, "If I must die with you, I will not deny you." And they all said the same.

4. What do you learn about Peter from this passage?
5. Have you ever thought you would never do something and yet you found yourself in that very situation? Would you share with the group?

Luke 22:31-34

<sup>31</sup> "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, <sup>32</sup> but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers." <sup>33</sup> Peter said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death." <sup>34</sup> Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day, until you deny three times that you know me."

6. What do you learn about Peter from this passage?
7. What would it have been like to be in Peter's place and hear those words from Jesus?

Luke 22:54-62

<sup>54</sup> Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house, and Peter was following at a distance. <sup>55</sup> And when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat down among them. <sup>56</sup> Then a servant girl, seeing him as he sat in the light and looking closely at him, said, "This man also was with him." <sup>57</sup> But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." <sup>58</sup> And a little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not." <sup>59</sup> And after an interval of about an hour still another insisted, saying, "Certainly this man also was with him, for he too is a Galilean." <sup>60</sup> But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about." And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. <sup>61</sup> And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the saying of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the rooster crows today, you will deny me three times." <sup>62</sup> And he went out and wept bitterly.

8. What do you learn about Peter from this passage?

## TAKING IT HOME

The premise of this series is that it's time to agree with God about:

- Who He (God) says I am.
- Who He is (God).
- What He (God) says I can do.
- What He (God) says I can be.

From the last several passages we can see and assume Peter had a different answer to the above questions. From John 21 (the passage Pastor Craig preached from on Sunday), how did Jesus reshape Peter's understanding of the answers to these questions?

9. Who did Jesus say Peter was, and how did it differ from Peter's view of himself?

10. What did Jesus reveal about Himself to Peter?

11. What did Jesus say Peter could do?

12. What did Jesus say Peter could be?

13. How does Peter's experience apply to us?

## CHAIR TIME TOOL

This week read Acts Chapters 1-4 and answer the following questions:

1. What did Peter go on to do at the side of Jesus?

2. What is God asking of you in the areas of your walk with Him?

3. Where do you disagree with God's view of you, of Him, what He wants you to do, or what He says you can be?

Next week we will be looking at what the Bible says about how God sees you.

# "The Long and the Short of It"

*It's Time to Agree with God*

## Week 1

*Pastor Craig Sweeney*

**Passage:** John 20:30-31...21:1-25

**One Main Thought:** When I agree with God, I can live the life I always wanted.

### 1. Who He says I am.

- HIS "disciples" (21:1)
- Claimed by love  
"Do you love me?"  
  
Romans 8:35-39
- Forgiven
- His Child  
"Fellows" (21:5)
- Successful  
"feed my sheep" (21:17)

### 2. Who He is.

- "Jesus is the Messiah" (20:31)
- "the Son of God" (20:31)

### 3. What He says I can do.

- "believing in him" (20:31)
- "have life by the power of his name."

### 4. What He says I can be.

- Rock versus Reed