

Trinity Community Church

Family Worship Guide

For Sunday, May 24, 2020

“Restoring a Right Relationship With Christ”

John 21:15-25

SERMON SUMMARY

Many of us have been filled by guilt and shame because of our sin. In this text we see Jesus' kindness and tenderness towards Peter through the way He poses the three questions to Peter and the way He responds to Peter's answers. What we see in this passage then is the heart of Jesus for Peter and for all us. Jesus is ready not only to forgive Peter, but also to reaffirm His calling in Peter's life and to restore him to ministry.

Suggested Questions for Students and Kids

1. How many times does Jesus ask Peter whether Peter loves Him?
2. How does Peter respond?
3. What does Jesus say after each one of Peter's responses?
4. What does this passage tell you about Jesus?

Suggested Questions for Adults

1. Why do you think Jesus asks Peter three times whether or not Peter loves him?
2. How does Peter respond to Jesus every time? What do you think was going on in Peter's mind when he heard each one of these questions?
3. What did Jesus command Peter to do?
4. How does Jesus reply to Peter's answers?
5. Peter wants to find out answers to questions pertaining to the other disciples' future, but Jesus refuses to answer Peter. Why do you think he does that?
6. What are some things that the Lord spoke to you through the sermon this morning?

Weekly Prayer Focus

Pray for Our Church

- Praise God for granting us salvation and for giving us a desire to serve Him and others selflessly;
- Pray for safety for every member of our congregation, especially for those of our medical professionals who are daily treating and caring for the sick; pray for God's peace to be present in each of us;
- Pray that we will all recognize needs around us and find wise ways to lovingly respond to and meet those needs as the body of Christ;
- Pray that God would protect the income of those whose jobs are being affected by this pandemic;
- Ask God to help us see and celebrate all of His work around us, even when we don't fully understand it.

Pray for Our City

- Praise God for our elected officials;
- Pray for our local, state, and national officials that God would strengthen them and give them wisdom as they lead our city, county, state, and nation through these very difficult and uncertain times;
- Pray for the other churches in town that God will protect, provide, and use them and us, as a united Body of Christ, to meet the needs of our city;
- Pray that God will use this time to bring our city to the knowledge of God.

Pray for Our Country

- Praise God for our country and for the many freedoms, privileges, and blessings we have in this nation;
- Pray for our state and nationally elected officials that God would grant them wisdom and discernment in dealing with this pandemic virus;
- Pray for the families who've already lost loved ones because of this virus;
- Pray that God will draw many people to Himself through these hard times.

Pray for Our World

- Pray for all our missionaries throughout the world. They are all being impacted in some way by the Corona Virus epidemic;
- Specifically, pray for the Adamses (Philip and Jennifer, and their kids) as they continue to serve the churches in France, and specifically to serve the churches in the suburb of Paris.