

Community group questions
John 21

Opening question: What are some memories you have of Easter (pleasant or unpleasant)?

Scripture study

- Read Luke 22:54-62 and make some observations. Also read Mark 14:48-50. How do these two passages serve as a backdrop to John 21? Read John 21:1-8. What sticks out to you about this scene? How does this seem a little anti-climactic to the most recent events in the lives of these disciples? What do you need the most when you know you blew it?

- Read John 21:9-14. What does this appearance of the Risen Christ teach us about Jesus? Compare Jesus' invitation to "come and eat" to other invitations of Jesus elsewhere in Scripture? Think of personal examples when you have responded to Jesus' invitation. How can we be inviting to those who are broken?

- Read John 21:15-19. What is the unfinished business Jesus attends to here? What do you make of Jesus' three questions and Peter's responses to them? How would this conversation be encouraging to Peter and how is it encouraging to you? How does this speak to failure? How does this speak to serving the Lord?

- In what way have you experienced an "Easter start"? How does an "Easter start" speak to you at this time in your life?