

Dig Deeper @Home – “Broken Restored”

Complement to sermon on April 16, 2017 – “The Sending Hope”

MEMORIZE – Lamentations 3: 21-23

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

READ John 21

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. What is this passage revealing about God and what is it revealing about us as humans?

2. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life? What will that look like?

3. Compare and contrast the fishing expedition in John 21: 1-8 with that in Luke 5:1-11. Consider not only details of the event but also responses of those involved.

4. In Luke 5:11, Jesus says that he will make us fishers of men. In John 21: 9-17, we see Peter being restored as an Apostle and given orders for how to be a fisher of men.
 - a. What are the three orders Jesus gives to Peter?

 - b. What do these look like practically? How are you living these out in your life?

5. John 21:18-25 is a strange conversation when first read. So read it again a couple times.
 - a. What phrase does Jesus repeat to Peter?

 - b. What is the point of this passage? In other words, what is the takeaway that John wants his readers to apply in their own lives?

Bottom Line – Summarize John 21 in your own words.

Experiential

Sometimes activities help us to understand and process biblical truths. The ones below are a suggestion for how to experience the truths of John 21.

Puppy Monkey Baby (to be done in groups)

One person stands in front and repeats the words “puppy, monkey, baby” in any order for as long as they want. When they stop, those listening need to act out the last word said in the following way...

To act out puppy: hands and arms in front of body like a begging puppy, making a barking sound

To act out monkey: hands and arms to the side, body slight crouched, making monkey sounds

To act out baby: hands and arms in front of body forming a cradle, making a crying baby sound

The last person to get into the correct position is out. The game continues until one person is remaining. What’s the point? There are distractions that keep us from following Jesus. In this game it’s obvious, you don’t know which word the leader will end on and they can make it harder depending on how fast they say the words. What distracts us in life from following Jesus? How can you eliminate these in your life to focus more on following Jesus?

SING (a suggested songs to sing. Use this or any song you might want to sing)

Send Me Out - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L8ZGQPW7OXg>

A song reminding us what it means to follow Jesus.

Stand Up! Stand Up for Jesus - Mennonite Hymn #592

A hymn that calls us to action. As we go this week, stand up for Jesus

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

Sending prayer based on the lesson:

As you go, may you experience and receive the never-ending steadfast love of the LORD to fully comfort you and to enable you to pass on His never-ending steadfast love to those around you.