# Restoration and Renewal: Jesus' Invitation to Peter



Explore Jesus' restorative breakfast with Peter in John 21:9–14, discovering grace, purpose, and renewal in our walk with Christ.





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#### Introduction

The story of Jesus inviting Peter to breakfast after His resurrection is a powerful moment of restoration and grace. In *John 21:9–14*, we see Jesus reaching out to Peter, who had previously denied Him three times. This encounter captures a profound truth about God's relentless love and the new beginnings He offers, even when we have fallen short.

When Jesus calls His disciples to breakfast, it's not just about sharing a meal but about reconnecting and reaffirming Peter's role in God's kingdom. Jesus doesn't condemn Peter for his failure; instead, He shows kindness and forgiveness, then lovingly restores Peter's purpose. This significant event reveals that no failure is final in the eyes of God, and His call on our lives is unchanging.

Throughout this 7-day study plan, we will journey through the Gospels, focusing on the themes of restoration, grace, and purpose. We will discover how Jesus meets us in our brokenness, invites us to new life, and sends us forth with a renewed mission. Like Peter, we can find hope and strength to follow Jesus faithfully, no matter our past mistakes.

Let this study guide your heart toward receiving Jesus' invitation to restoration, embracing His grace, and stepping boldly into your calling.  $\heartsuit$ 









# Day 1: Desus' Invitation to Breakfast









#### Your Verse

John 21:9-10 NIV - 'When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught."'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Luke 24:30 'When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them.'
- Matthew 14:19 'And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves.'







#### Devotional: Jesus Meets Us in Our Ordinary Moments

Jesus' invitation to breakfast by the sea is deeply symbolic. After His resurrection, He appears to His disciples not in majesty but in simple, intimate ways—sharing a meal. This moment invites us to reflect on how Jesus meets us where we are, even in our ordinary, broken places.

Peter and the other disciples were tired and unsure after Jesus' death. Yet Jesus offers breakfast, signifying nourishment and new beginning. It's a tender reminder that Jesus understands our human frailty and still welcomes us to His table.

Consider how often Jesus meets you in unexpected ways—through His Word, through fellowship, or quiet moments. His invitation is personal and ongoing, offering restoration and hope today.







Day 1: Desus' Invitation to Breakfast

# Reflect and Apply

1.	How does Jesus' simple invitation to breakfast encourage you in times of doubt or failure?
2.	In what ways have you experienced Jesus meeting you in everyday life?
3.	What does this passage teach about the nature of God's grace and provision?







Day 1: Desus' Invitation to Breakfast

# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Describe a time when you felt Jesus' presence in a simple or unexpected way.
2.	Write about what renewal or nourishment you need from Jesus right now.
3.	Reflect on how you respond to Jesus' invitations in your daily life.







### Prayer for Today

Lord, thank You for meeting me where I am. Thank You for your gracious invitation to feast—not just on bread and fish, but on Your love and restoration. Help me to recognize Your presence in the simple moments and to accept Your invitation to renewal, even when I feel broken or weak. Restore my heart and call me afresh into Your purpose. In Jesus' name, Amen. 🙏 🗀







# Day 2: Peter's Threefold Calling









#### Your Verse

John 21:15 NIV - 'When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- John 21:16 'Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."'
- John 21:17 'The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."'







#### Devotional: Love Restores and Calls Us to Serve

Jesus' threefold questioning of Peter highlights the restoration of Peter's soul.

Peter had denied Jesus three times before the crucifixion, and now Jesus lovingly asks him three times if he loves Him. This repetition is not a rebuke but a healing process—each affirmation of love reinstates Peter.

Jesus then commissions Peter to 'feed my lambs' and 'feed my sheep,' symbolizing His trust in Peter's renewed calling. This underscores that no failure is too great to block God's purpose for us. God's restoration is not only forgiveness but also empowerment to serve.

Reflect on how Jesus is patiently restoring your heart and renewing your purpose today. He invites all of us to respond with love and accept His commissions, regardless of past mistakes.







# Reflect and Apply

	How does Jesus' patient restoration of Peter encourage you in your own failures?
2.	What might Jesus be asking you to feed or care for as part of His mission?
	How can you demonstrate your love for Jesus through acts of service this week?







# **Journaling Prompts**

	Write about any fears or doubts you have about your calling and how Jesus' restoration speaks to these feelings.
	List ways you can 'feed' and care for others in your community, church, or family.
3.	Reflect on how accepting God's calling changes your perspective on failure.







Day 2: Peter's Threefold Calling

### Prayer for Today

Jesus, thank You for Your restoring love and trusting me anew. Help me to overcome doubt and walk confidently in the calling You have given. May my love for You be reflected in my actions toward others. Teach me to nurture and care for Your people with grace and humility. In Your name I pray, Amen.





















#### Your Verse

John 21:3 NIV - 'Simon Peter said, "I'm going out to fish." They said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Isaiah 43:19 'See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?'
- 2 Corinthians 5:17 'Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!'







#### Devotional: Trusting Jesus Brings Abundance

Peter's decision to go fishing again reflects a move back to the familiar after Jesus' death. Yet, despite effort, that night's catch was empty—"they caught nothing." This moment symbolizes life without Christ; attempts to move forward in our own strength result in emptiness.

The dawn reveals a fresh start as Jesus appears and directs them to cast their nets again, resulting in a miraculous catch. This symbolizes how trusting Jesus leads to abundant life and fulfilled purpose.

In your spiritual journey, there may be times you seek to return to old ways or your own methods. Jesus calls you to renew your faith and step into the new things He is doing. Will you trust Him to provide and guide?







# Reflect and Apply

Have you ever tried to solve problems in your own strength and found little success?
What new things might Jesus be doing in your life that you need to notice?
How does trusting God change your approach to challenges and setbacks?







# **Journaling Prompts**

	Reflect on areas where you are relying on your own efforts rather than God's guidance.
	Write about a time when God led you to unexpected abundance after a season of struggle.
3.	Consider how you can remain attentive to God's new work in your life daily.







### Prayer for Today

Lord, forgive me when I try to manage life on my own. Help me to trust Your leading and timing, even when I feel uncertain or empty. Open my eyes to the new things You are doing, and guide me into the abundant life You promise. I surrender my efforts to You today. In Jesus' name, Amen.







# Day 4: Day Me: Peter's Renewed Commission









Day 4: > Follow Me: Peter's Renewed Commission

#### Your Verse

John 21:18 NIV – 'Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Matthew 16:24 'Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."'
- Luke 9:23 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.'







Day 4: Day 4: Peter's Renewed Commission

#### Devotional: The Cost and Call to Follow Jesus

Jesus' words to Peter about the future highlight the cost and commitment of following Him. Peter is reminded that following Jesus involves surrender and sometimes hardship. Yet even with these realities, the invitation is clear—to follow Him.

Peter is offered restoration, but not as a return to the old way of life; rather, he is called deeper. This reminds us that restoration involves transformation, and Jesus calls us to a lifelong journey of faithfulness, sacrifice, and obedience.

Reflect on what it means for you to 'follow Jesus' in practical terms and how His call shapes your daily life and future.







Day 4:

# Reflect and Apply

	What does it mean for you personally to take up your cross and follow Jesus?
2.	Are there areas of your life where following Jesus requires surrender?
3.	How do Jesus' promises encourage you to remain faithful despite challenges?







Day 4:

# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Journal about what 'following Jesus' looks like in your everyday decisions.
2.	Write prayers surrendering areas of resistance or control in your life.
3.	List ways you can grow in obedience and faithfulness this week.







Day 4: > Follow Me: Peter's Renewed Commission

### Prayer for Today

Jesus, help me to follow You wholeheartedly, even when it's difficult. Teach me to surrender my will and trust Your plans for my life. Give me strength to endure trials and wisdom to walk faithfully with You each day. Keep my eyes fixed on You through every season. Amen.  $\nearrow$   $\nearrow$ 

















Day 5: 6 Embracing Forgiveness and Grace

#### Your Verse

Psalm 103:12 NIV - 'As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Romans 8:1 'Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.'
- Ephesians 1:7 'In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace.'







Day 5: ( Embracing Forgiveness and Grace

#### Devotional: The Power of Grace in Restoration

The restoration of Peter demonstrates God's abundant grace and forgiveness. Despite Peter's denial, Jesus chooses to forgive and restore him fully. This is a beautiful picture of God's heart toward us even when we fail.

God's forgiveness is complete, erasing our sins as far as east is from west. This truth invites us to accept His grace and live free from guilt and shame.

Today, consider if there are areas of your life where self-condemnation holds you back. Know that God's grace covers all, and He restores us to walk confidently in His love.







Day 5: ( Embracing Forgiveness and Grace

# Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you experience God's forgiveness in your life?
2.	Are there past mistakes that you struggle to release to God's grace?
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	What difference does knowing 'no condemnation' make for your daily walk?







Day 5: (b) Embracing Forgiveness and Grace

# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write a letter to God thanking Him for His grace and forgiveness.
2.	Reflect on how embracing grace changes your view of yourself and others.
3.	List ways you can extend grace to yourself and those around you.







Day 5: Embracing Forgiveness and Grace

#### Prayer for Today

Father, thank You for Your endless grace and forgiveness. Help me to accept Your mercy fully and to release any guilt or shame. Teach me to walk in freedom, restored by Your love and empowered to live for You. May Your grace overflow in my heart today. Amen.  $\bigcirc$   $\bigcirc$   $\bigcirc$ 







# Day 6: Renewed Passion for God's Mission









Day 6: A Renewed Passion for God's Mission

#### Your Verse

Acts 2:41 NIV - 'Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Matthew 28:19 'Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them...'
- Romans 12:11 'Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.'







Day 6: A Renewed Passion for God's Mission

# Devotional: Restoration Fuels Renewed Zeal for Service

**After being restored, Peter's passion for Jesus' mission ignited.** His boldness on Pentecost led thousands to Christ. The same restoration Jesus provided fuels our zeal to serve and share the Good News.

When Jesus calls and restores us, He also equips us for His mission. Our failures don't quench our passion; they deepen our dependence on Him.

Reflect on how restoration cultivates renewed energy for following God's purposes. Ask God to kindle a fresh fire in your heart for His work.







Day 6: 🖰 Renewed Passion for God's Mission

# Reflect and Apply

1.	How has restoration in your life increased your passion for serving God?
2.	What mission or ministry is God calling you to engage with now?
	How can you maintain spiritual fervor amid challenges or discouragement?







Day 6: Renewed Passion for God's Mission

# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about ways you can be bold in sharing your faith this week.
2.	Reflect on how God's restoration has prepared you for His mission.
3.	List practical steps to cultivate and sustain passion for God's work.







Day 6: A Renewed Passion for God's Mission

### Prayer for Today

**Lord Jesus, ignite a holy fire within me.** Restore my passion and zeal for Your kingdom work. Help me to serve with joy and boldness, sharing Your love with those around me. May my life reflect Your purpose and bring glory to Your name. Amen.

















#### Your Verse

John 21:11 NIV – 'Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn.'

#### Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 23:1 'The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.'
- John 10:11 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.'







# Devotional: Following Jesus Leads to Overflowing Provision

The miraculous catch of fish shows Jesus' provision and care as a shepherd. Despite the disciples' fruitless efforts, Jesus directs them to success—reminding us to trust His guidance.

Peter's action of hauling the net ashore signals obedience and trust. Jesus doesn't just restore our hearts; He leads us into fruitful service.

As we close this study, let us commit to trusting Jesus as our shepherd—the One who provides, protects, and leads us through all seasons.







# Reflect and Apply

1.	In what areas do you need to trust Jesus' guidance more fully?
2.	How have you experienced God's provision when you obey His direction?
3.	What does it mean for you to follow Jesus as your shepherd daily?







# **Journaling Prompts**

	Journal about a time God provided abundantly when you followed His lead.
2.	Write your commitments to trusting Jesus' guidance moving forward.
3.	Reflect on how Jesus' care affects your perspective on life's challenges.







#### Prayer for Today

Good Shepherd, I place my trust in You. Lead me where You would have me go and provide for all my needs. Help me to obey Your voice faithfully and to rest in Your care. May I always remember Your loving guidance and abundant provision. In Jesus' name, Amen. 😩 😩 🙏







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