

John 21:1-17
Series – Bread of Life
Message – Bread for Life
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Wrestling with the Resurrection

- First appearance to the gathered disciples – John 20:19-20
- Second appearance, a week later – John 20:26

- The resurrection of Jesus _____ the narratives by which we’re living.

- The disciples were wrestling with the resurrection and its implications.

- *Appeared* means “to make _____ what was not previously seen.”

Remembering the Invitation

- This was a _____ of the calling story of Peter, James, and John.
- Luke 5:1-11

- “Remember when you first met me, and remember my invitation to you.”

- Jesus re-enacted the story of their calling to help them remember his _____ that, with his help, they could become like him.

Receiving Restoration

- John 21:15-17
- In God’s kingdom, no one is _____ by their worst day.

- This is a _____ restoration. Deep grace for the whole person.

- Remember that Jesus invites you to follow him believing that – with his help and by His Spirit – you will become like him.

How will you respond to God’s word today?

Reflection Questions

1. Have you struggled to believe in the resurrection? If so, what do you feel is the most significant barrier?
2. Have you experienced your faith in Jesus confronting another way you view the world? Share more with the group.
3. How have you sensed the Lord helping you to become more like him most recently?
4. Have you experienced the Lord restoring you after a failure? Describe that experience.
5. What captured your attention in the scripture or message?
6. With whom will you discuss what you think God might be saying to you?
7. What is God saying to you?
8. What are you going to do about it?