

THE UNLIKELY DISCIPLE

BREAKFAST OF FORGIVENESS | 7.25.21

TALK SHEET

KEY SCRIPTURE

⁹When they got there, they found breakfast waiting for them—fish cooking over a *charcoal fire*, and some bread.

John 21:9 (NLT)

¹⁸ Because it was cold, the household servants and the guards had made a *charcoal fire*. They stood around it, warming themselves, and Peter stood with them, warming himself.

John 18:18 (NLT)

²⁰ "If your enemies are hungry, feed them. If they are thirsty, give them something to drink. In doing this, you will *heap burning coals* of shame on their heads."

Romans 12:20 (NLT)

QUOTES

"The coals of Peter's denial remind us that there is no place we can go that God doesn't see us!"

- Pastor Steve

"The coals of Peter's forgiveness remind us that there is no place God isn't willing to go in order for us to be forgiven!"

- Pastor Steve

"Jesus' love for us was demonstrated by his death on the cross. Our love for him is demonstrated by our care for others."

- Adam Hamilton

Select 1 or 2 questions from each section of this guide to lead your group or house church in a discussion. Feel free to adjust as needed. Each section is designed to follow each video segment of the message.

- **Video Section #1: Explore the Topic**
 - > Start it Out | Goal: Get people talking
- **Video Section #2: Explore what God says about the Topic**
 - > Talk it Out | Goal: Get the group talking about scripture
- **Video Section #3: Explore what we do with the Topic**
 - > Live it Out | Goal: Choose a question to encourage next steps
 - > Pray it Out | Goal: Lift of prayers, petitions, and praises

Start it Out | Goal: Get people talking

- What is the funniest mistake you've ever made?
- Pastor Steve used a story of a College Ethics Professor in his message, what did you think about when you heard the story?
- What are some examples of how carrying past mistakes or unforgiveness can lead to greater hurt in your life?

Talk it Out | Goal: Get the group talking about scripture

- Read John 21:9 and 18:18; Why do you think John included this important detail into Peter's story.
- Pastor Steve mentioned that the three questions Jesus asked Peter did three specific things, how can we apply these specific things to our own life?
 1. *Restoration* of relationships with others
 2. *Reconciliation* of our relationship with Jesus
 3. *Reaffirmation* of the call Jesus placed on our lives
- Do you think it was important that Jesus asked Peter if he loved him three times? Why or why not?

Live it Out | Goal: Choose questions to encourage next steps

- Read Romans 12:20, What does this verse mean to you in light of the possibility that "heap burning coals" is actually referring to the "Presence of God?"
- How can get rid of some "potatoes" this week?
- Who can you "heap burning coals of shame on their head," this week?

Pray it Out | Goal: Lift up prayers, petitions, and praises

- How can we pray for you this week?
Take notes and follow up next week.