



Westminster Presbyterian Church Digging Deeper Questions

May 13, 2018

“Reconciled and Reinstated”

Scripture: Psalm 32:1-7 &
John 21:15-25

Open in Prayer

Fellowship Question: Have you ever been kicked off the team or out of school? Why?

Study Questions for the Sermon and Text:

Week 5: Reflecting on Psalm 32, John 21:15-25, and the WPC sermon from May 13, 2018.

- 1) In your own words, how do you define grace? What’s the difference between grace and mercy?
- 2) Can you think of a time when another person offered you grace? Who was it?
- 3) How are the concepts of grace, reconciliation, and restoration connected to one another?
- 4) Read Psalm 32
 - a) Why do you think David starts with the results (verses 1-2) of forgiveness, and then begins to explain his process of approaching God (verses 3-5)?
 - b) When we think of prayers of forgiveness in the Old Testament, we typically turn to David. Can you think of any other people from the Old Testament that prayed for the forgiveness of sin?
- 5) Read John 21:15-25
 - a) Why do you think Jesus asked Peter if he loved him three times? How are the answers to each question connected?
 - b) What’s behind Peter’s hurt, as Jesus asks him the third question?
 - c) Pastor Dave mentioned that, as Jesus reinstates Peter, we’re given a model for restoring broken relationships. What’s the most difficult part of seeking reconciliation in the midst of a strained relationship? Why is it important for us to try to follow Jesus’ model?
 - d) In John 21:21 in light of a personal challenge from Jesus, Peter asks about John’s fate. How might Jesus’ answers apply to some of the questions we have today?

Prayer: Lord, remind us to be leaders and disciples.