

**Welcome to Bible Study with Rise!!**

*This week we will be reading from John 21:14-19 as we continue our discussion of GOING DEEPER!*

**Last Week:**

Last week we looked at how Jesus appeared to the disciples and the various lessons we can take from the disciples as they encountered Jesus in a new way.

- Lesson 1: Be persistent and dig deep!

The disciples had a task at hand, however on their own, they were unsuccessful. Though they were unsuccessful, they did not give up! they were persistent and continued to dig deep. Because of such, their cry, allowed Jesus to answer their call.

- Lesson 2: Listen and Follow!

Because of the disciples persistence, Jesus was able to evaluate their task and examine the very thing that was causing them trouble. Jesus, then gave the disciples a task. He instructed them on what to do next.

As a result, the disciples took heed, listened and followed through on the instructions that God gave them.

- Lesson 3: Get ready, You have the Capacity!

The disciples could have shrunken away when Jesus gave them specific orders, but they did not. They followed suit and as a result, it rendered them an overflow and an abundance of fish! Now, most people might look at an overflow as an issue but be sure and know that God will never give you anything that you do not have the capacity to sustain

As the disciples were blessed with an overflow of fish, they had full capacity to sustain all that God gave them.

**This Week!**

This week in *Bible Study*, we continued right where we left off on.  
 In John 21:14-19

Jesus starts off with three questions:

- Question 1: Do you love me more than these? .... Feed My sheep!

What do you think 'these' mean the context of how Jesus said it?

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- Jesus ask this question first because it's so easy to get caught up with what we obtain from Jesus and forget to Just love Him! – it's important to focus on Just loving Jesus outside of what He can do for us or even what we can obtain from His hand. we must also Love Jesus just because He's Jesus. Loving Him will allow Us to love his sheep to the point of being able to feed his sheep.
- Question 2: Do you Love Me? .... Tend to My sheep

Why do you think that after he ask this question for the second time, He told Peter to tend to His sheep instead of 'feeding' His sheep as He did in the first question?

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- It's important to know the difference between feeding sheep and tending to sheep
- Question 3: Do you love Me? ..... Feed My sheep

This time around, prior to Peter answering Jesus' question for the third time, he showed a bit of frustration as Jesus asked him a third time.

Fact: Jesus knows all things and He knows the content of Peter's heart. Jesus already knows the Peter love Him... but why do you think He asked him this question yet again?

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To Love Jesus means to pour out and to not only feed His sheep but to also tend to his sheep and continue feeding His sheep. This means, even when you're not seeing an abundance of miracles or even having tons of attention or a platform. Jesus is looking at your heart! He's looking to see will you continue to love Him and tend to His sheep as if He was the one tending.

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**Follow Me!**

We ended off with Jesus telling Peter to follow Him. He said this after the verse that stated: "when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish. – This He spoke, signifying by what death he would glorify God....

In your opinion, why do you think it was so imperative that Jesus ended off this verse with Follow Me?

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