

WISDOM FROM GOD'S WORD

Lessons from Lives that Matter

Repentance and Restoration

John 21:15-19

Truth: Jesus forgives our unfaithfulness and restores us to service when our repentance of sin is genuine.

- Simon - 'the one who hears' (Hebrew).
 - Peter - 'a large rock' (Greek)
 - Cephas - 'a large rock' (Aramaic).
- Matthew 14:22-33. ◦ Matthew 16:21-23.
 - Matthew 17:1-8. ◦ Matthew 26:33.

Lesson 1: Repentance and restoration is personal.

- Do you love Me more than these?
 - Than you love these things of your former life.
 - Than you love these disciples.
 - Than these disciple love Me.
- Matthew 26:33.

Lesson 2: Repentance and restoration is painful.

- 2 Corinthians 7:9-10.
- The effects of sin:
 - Upon God. ◦ John 14:15.
 - Upon others.
 - Upon self. ◦ Psalm 51:2-3.
- Love
 - Agapao - love rooted in the mind and will.
 - Phileo - love rooted in emotion.
 - Jesus willingly loves us at our level so that we might learn to love Him at His level.

Lesson 3: Repentance and restoration is profitable.

- John 15:13. • Romans 5:8.
- John 21:15 - Tend my lambs.
- John 21:16 - Shepherd my sheep.
- John 21:17 - Tend my sheep.
