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Fireside Chat

John 21:9-19

On the shores of the Sea of Galilee, Jesus has one last conversation with His disciples. The conversation is around a campfire. A campfire makes the conversations more poignant. Hopes, dreams, and failures are often discussed. The same is true in this conversation with Peter. Jesus uses the conversation to call Peter to love, restoration, and service. It is the same call for believers today.

Additional Verses:

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Matthew 22:34-40

Luke 14:26

1 John 4

Outline:

1. Priority of love.

2. Promise of restoration.

3. Promotion of service.

Study Questions:

1. How have you tried to earn Jesus' love? How did those attempts turn out? Why is the greatest commandment "Love the Lord God with all your heart?"

2. How does Jesus restore us when we fail? Why would Jesus expend the effort to restore us?

3. How is restoration a picture of the Gospel?

4. What truth does the "one another" passages in the Bible teach? How does this truth point to the importance of believers gathering as the church?

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?