

NEXT STEP QUESTIONS

1. Spend ten minutes discussing this week's talk. What was the one thing that stood out to you?
2. In what ways do you allow your mistakes to prevent you from getting close to God?
3. Read Mark 14:27-31 and Luke 22:54-62. What do you think leads to Peter's failure? Thinking too highly of himself, fear of not fitting in, impulsiveness, or something else? What leads to failures in your own life?
4. Read Lamentations 3:22-23. Why is it important that God's mercies are new every morning?
5. God often uses our do-overs to help others. In what ways have you seen the redemption of sin or hurt in your life, or someone else's life, be used to help others?
6. Three steps were outlined in the talk for when we need a do-over:
 - A. Allow yourself to hurt.
 - B. Tell your community group.
 - C. Come back to Jesus.

Which of these steps is most difficult for you? How can you start to embrace this difficult step in order to accept God's grace?

Action Step:

In your first seven minutes each morning, pray to God and ask Him to reveal a person in your life with whom you need a do-over. Pray for this person; pray for healing, restoration or forgiveness in your relationship with them. Practice the steps in Question six: allow yourself to hurt, tell your community group, and come back to Jesus.



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DO-OVERS

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When You Need a Do-Over

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Lamentations 3:22-23 ESV

Peter's Do-Over

1. We think too highly of our _____.

Peter said to him, "Even if everyone else deserts you, I never will." Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, Peter—this very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny three times that you even know me."

Mark 14:29-31 NLT

Pride leads to destruction, and arrogance to downfall.

Proverbs 16:18 CNT

2. We have a fear of not _____.

Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. But when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him." But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.

Luke 22:54-57 NIV

It is dangerous to be concerned with what others think of you, but if you trust the LORD, you are safe.

Proverbs 29:25 CNT

3. We engage the _____ before our _____.

When the servant girl saw him there, she said again to those standing around, "This fellow is one of them." Again he denied it. After a little while, those standing near said to Peter, "Surely you are one of them, for you are a Galilean." He began to call down curses on himself, and he swore to them, "I don't know this man you're talking about."

Mark 14:69-71 NIV

If you claim to be religious but don't control your tongue, you are fooling yourself, and your religion is worthless.

James 1:26 NLT

Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times."

Luke 22:60-61 NIV

What to do when I need a do-over.

1. Allow yourself to _____.

And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Luke 22:62 NIV

Yet now I am happy, not because you were made sorry, but because your sorrow led you to repentance. For you became sorrowful as God intended and so were not harmed in any way by us. Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.

2 Corinthians 7:9-10 NIV

2. Tell your _____!

She went to the disciples, who were grieving and weeping, and told them what had happened.

Mark 16:10 NLT

"For where two or three gather together as my followers, I am there among them."

Matthew 18:20 NLT

3. Come back to _____.

So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.

Hebrews 4:16 NLT

But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

1 John 1:9 NLT

What does Jesus do when we ask for a do-over?

1. He doesn't _____ out.

Yet God was kind. He kept forgiving their sins and didn't destroy them. He often became angry, but never lost his temper. God remembered that they were made of flesh...

Psalms 78:38-39 CEV

2. He _____ for us.

"Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to test all of you as a farmer sifts his wheat. I have prayed that you will not lose your faith!"

Luke 22:31-32 NCV

3. He has _____ in us.

"Help your brothers be stronger when you come back to me."

Luke 22:32 NCV

4. He shows us His _____.

When they got there, they found breakfast waiting for them—fish cooking over a charcoal fire, and some bread. "Bring some of the fish you've just caught," Jesus said. So Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore. There were 153 large fish, and yet the net had not torn. "Now come and have some breakfast!" Jesus said.

John 21:9-12 NLT

5. He puts us in the _____.

After breakfast Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," Peter replied, "you know I love you." "Then feed my lambs," Jesus told him. Jesus repeated the question: "Simon son of John, do you love me?" "Yes, Lord," Peter said, "you know I love you." "Then take care of my sheep," Jesus said. A third time he asked him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt that Jesus asked the question a third time. He said, "Lord, you know everything. You know that I love you." Jesus said, "Then feed my sheep."

John 21:15-17 NLT

"So I will call you Peter, which means 'a rock.' On this rock I will build my church, and death itself will not have any power over it."

Matthew 16:18 CEV

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