

1 One CONVERSATION™

KIDS

BIBLE STUDIES
for
LIFE

JOHN 18:15-18,25-27; 21:15-19

Concept: Fight Opposition

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE: Failure is painful. It's that moment when things don't go quite the way we had hoped. We all fall short. We all make mistakes. We all sin. So then the question isn't *if* we're going to fail, but what happens when we do? Those who follow Christ can rest in the fact that He restores them every time they fail.

PRESCHOOL



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Peter was close to Jesus. He learned so much from Jesus. He followed Him everywhere. One night, Jesus was taken for questioning. Peter waited outside. A servant girl saw him and asked, "Are you one of Jesus' disciples?" Peter was afraid and answered, "I am not." Peter began to warm himself by a fire. Someone asked, "Are you one of Jesus' disciples?" Peter said, "I am not." One of the high priest's slaves asked, "Didn't I see you with Him in the garden?" Again Peter said, "No." Later Jesus cooked breakfast for His disciples. Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved Him. Peter answered yes each time. Jesus replied, "Then care for My people."

LIVE IT OUT: Talk about what it means to make a mistake or "mess up." Help your child understand that if she makes a wrong choice, she can ask someone to forgive her. Pray as a family.

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Peter and another disciple followed the soldiers who had taken Jesus. They waited to find out what would happen. Three people asked Peter if he was one of Jesus' disciples. Each time, Peter said, "No!" After Jesus rose from the dead, He met with Peter by the sea. Three times He asked Peter: "Do you love me?" Each time, Peter said, "Yes! You know I do!" Each time, Jesus told Peter to take care of His sheep. Finally, Jesus said to Peter: "Follow Me." Peter had made wrong choices, but Jesus still wanted Peter to be His follower!

LIVE IT OUT: As a family, talk about the ways each member has messed up at times. Pray together, thanking God that He forgives us.

TAKE IT FURTHER:

Check out *The First Workers* section of the Bible Studies for Life: Kids Family App.



STUDENTS



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THE POINT: Jesus restores us when we fail.

- Discuss some failures you have had with your student.
- How can you deal with failure better as a parent?

Have a conversation around this quote: "Hope is passion for what is possible."¹ —Søren Kierkegaard

1. "Hope Quotes," Hope Faith Prayer, [cited 19 July 2013]. Available from the Internet: hopefaithprayer.com.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to do one or both Live It Out activities in the Personal Study Guide.

If your student chooses to do **Honest Evaluation:**

- Encourage your student as he or she selects a verse about hope to reflect on this week.
- Choose a verse that reminds you of the hope you have in the midst of failure.

If your student chooses to do **Serve Others:**

- Give your student ideas of ways to serve others in your family this week.
- Pray that your student will be an example to others in serving.