

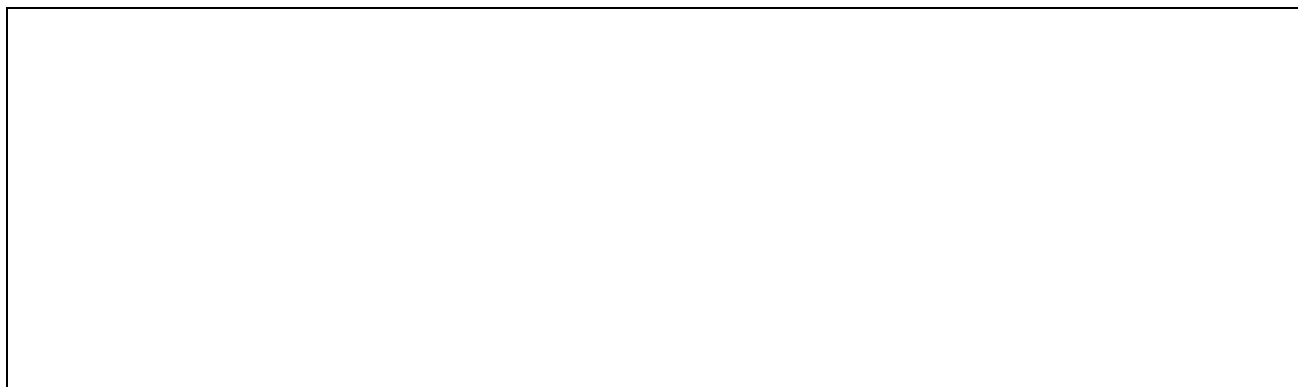
Stanmore Chapel Sunday School

Jesus forgives Peter

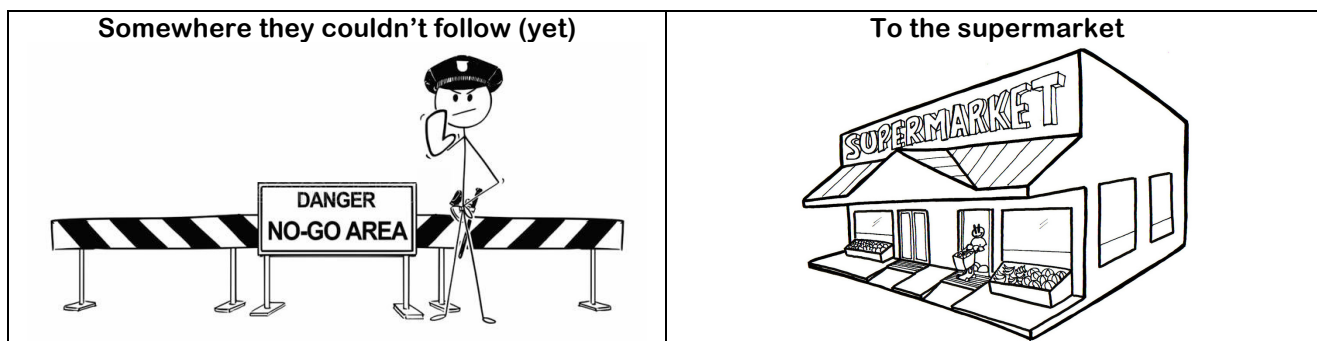
John ch.18-21

What was Peter's job before he became a disciple of Jesus?

(Draw a picture of Peter going about his job)



We saw that before it was time for Jesus to die on the cross, he was preparing his disciples for his going away. Where did Jesus tell his disciples he was going? (Circle the right answer)



Peter asked Jesus why couldn't he follow now, and said that he would die for Jesus! But Jesus said that instead, Peter would disown Jesus 3 times before the cock crowed! After Jesus had been arrested Peter and John tried to follow. (Cross out the wrong answer in the brackets)

The other disciple, who was known to the high (**priest/kite**), came back, spoke to the (**servant girl/lifeguard**) on duty there and brought Peter in.

"You aren't one of this man's (**pets/disciples**) too, are you?" she asked Peter.

He replied, "I am not."

(John Chapter 18 v.16b-17)

Meanwhile, Simon Peter was still standing there (**warming/talking to**) himself. So they asked him, "You aren't one of his disciples too, are you?"

He denied it, saying, "I am **(not/hot)**."

One of the high priest's servants, a relative of the man whose **(tail/ear)** Peter had cut off, challenged him, "Didn't I see you with him in the **(garden/ bowling alley)**?" Again Peter denied it, and at that moment **(a rooster/ Peter-pan)** began to crow. (John Chapter 18 v.25-27)

After Jesus has died and risen, he appeared to the disciples whilst they were fishing. He spoke to them from the shore and they didn't recognise him. They hadn't caught any fish, so Jesus told them to put their nets on the other side. **(Draw the disciple's nets before and after)**

Before, on the left side of the boat	After, on the right side of the boat

When he saw this miracle, John knew that this was Jesus. So he told Peter who it was, Peter jumped in and swam to shore.

Jesus took some bread & the fish the disciples had caught, and fed the disciples breakfast. **(Un-jumble the words to complete the next verses)**

When they had finished **(niteag)**_____, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?"

"Yes, **(Rold)**_____, " he said, "you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my **(smalb)**_____."

Again Jesus said, "**(Oismn)**_____ son of John, do you love me?"

He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Take care of my **(peshe)**_____."

The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Peter was hurt because **(Ejuss)**_____ asked him the third time, "Do you love me?"

He said, "Lord, you know all **(gnisht)**_____; you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my sheep.

(John Ch.21 v.15-17)

And so Jesus forgave and reinstated Peter, who would go on to help lead the early church, and write several books of the bible!

Beginners/Pioneers Supplementary page

Chat with your parents/caregiver

- Do you think Jesus chose Peter to be the lead disciple because of his job or because of his heart?

Jesus knew that when the time came for the disciples to carry on Jesus' work of spreading the gospel, he would give them a helper – the Holy Spirit, so he didn't need to pick people that were really good at public speaking!

- What did Peter do three times, instead of laying down his life for Jesus? (Hint – if you need to, flick back to chapter 18)

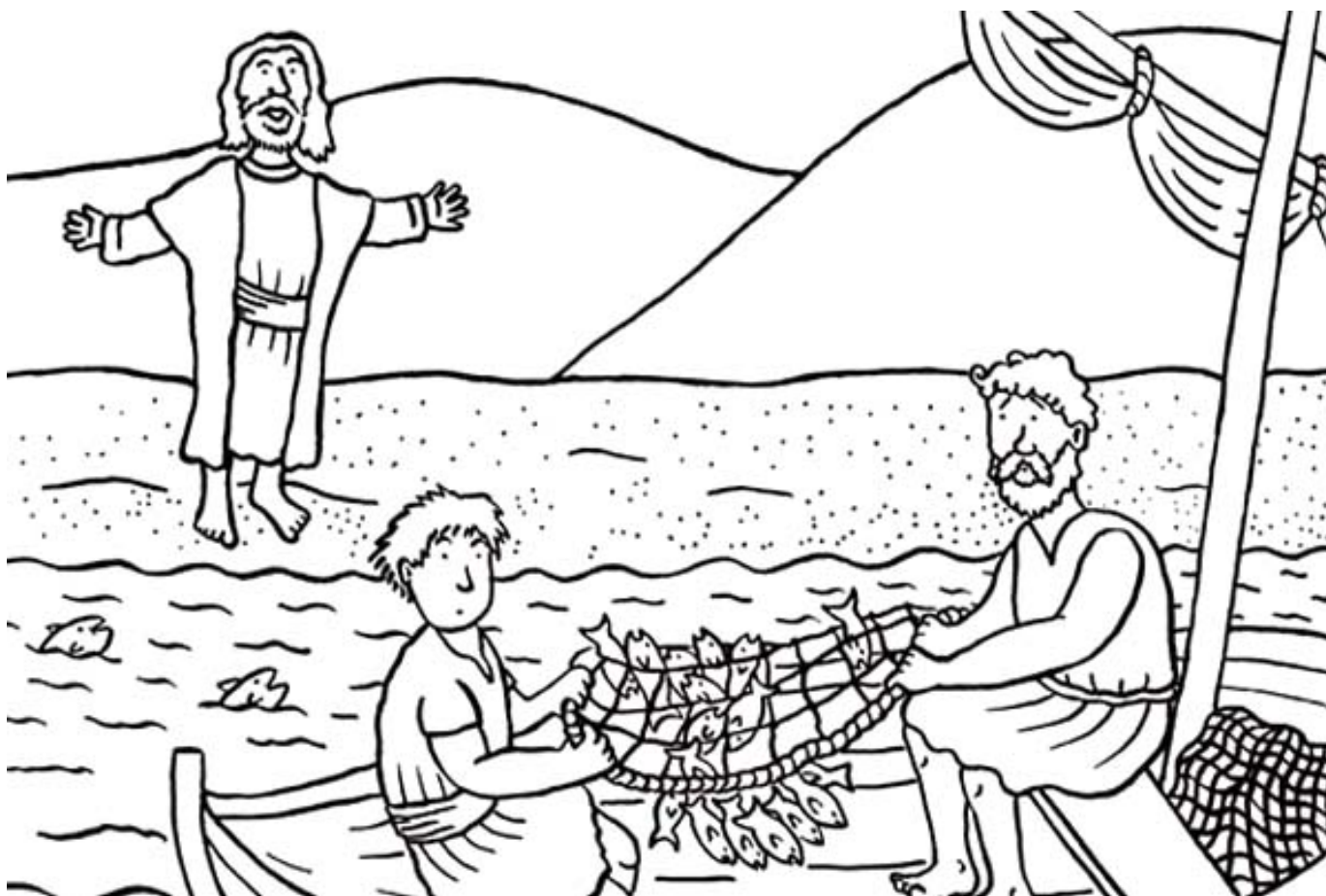
In fact it was Jesus that would lay down *his* life for Peter instead, and not just Peter, he did it to save everyone that loves him!

- What did Jesus ask Peter three times after he had died and rose again?

Even though Peter had failed Jesus, Jesus forgave him, and gave him a really important task – spreading the good news about Jesus, that's what Jesus meant when he said to feed his flock!

Let's pray!

Thank God that he used his disciples to spread the good news about God's salvation, so that we could learn about Jesus and be saved!



Explorers Supplementary page

Have a think/chat with your parents/caregiver

- Do you think Peter's job particularly equipped him to be the main disciple?
- Why do you think Jesus chose Peter? (Hint – John ch.21 v.15-17)
- When Jesus said he was going away, what did Peter say he would do for Jesus? What did he actually do after Jesus was arrested?
- When Jesus appeared again to his disciples after his death and resurrection, what did he ask Peter to **do** three times? (Hint – Luke ch.24 v.7-8)
- **Big Idea:** What do you think Jesus meant when he asked Peter to do this? To answer this, flick back to Deuteronomy Ch.8 v.3 then read John's description of Jesus in John ch.1 v.1, next read what Jesus says in John ch.6 v.32-58 (this is a big section so if you would prefer highlights, just read v.32-33, 45, 47-51)

Putting this all together, try to think about what Jesus means when he asks Peter to feed his sheep and his lambs!

Let's pray!

Lets thank God that in order to receive eternal life, all we need do is believe in Jesus! Let's also be thankful that Peter and the other disciples all spread the gospel, with the help of the Holy Spirit so that we can hear all about Jesus.

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