

“Take Two”  
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### John 21:4-22 (ESV)

#### Peter’s Failure (Matthew 26:69-75)

1. **Setting:** Around a fire
2. **Content:** Denial of Jesus (betrays his absolute insistence of love)
3. **Form:** Three times

#### Peter’s Restoration (John 21:4-22)

1. **Setting:** Jesus makes a fire (v. 9)
2. **Content:** Jesus questions Peter’s love for him (v. 15)
3. **Form:** Jesus asks times (vv. 15, 16, 17)

**THE POINT:** Let’s **try this again!**

#### WHEN JESUS SAYS, “LET’S TRY AGAIN” (John 21:4-22)

1. I can **plunge my failure** into God’s grace (vv. 7, 17).
  - I have to be willing to face God—and myself—with painful honesty about my failure as the first step towards restoring my life and relationship with Christ.

- I don’t need to try to prove to Jesus that I am someone other than who I truly am. I can admit my flaws and brokenness to him and see myself for who and how I really am, knowing that God’s grace covers me.

#### 2. I can know that Jesus seeks to **restore me** to himself, not replace, reject or condemn me.

- God will make me whole if I give him all the broken pieces.
- No failure is beyond God’s restoration.

#### 3. I can trust that Jesus has **continued confidence** in me (vv. 15, 16, 17, 18-19).

- God works through broken people to accomplish his will.

#### CENTRAL TRUTH:

Jesus restores me to himself when I plunge my failure into his grace.