

ROAD TO RESTORATION

“DO YOU LOVE ME? ... THEN FOLLOW ME.”

JOHN 21:15-19

**HOW CAN I COME BACK TO CHRIST AFTER I
HAVE TOTALLY DISOWNED HIM?**

CHRIST CONFRONTS PETER'S PAST WORLDLY AMBITIONS - JOHN 21:15, 18

- What are the “more than these”? (v.15)
- Jesus did not ask Peter to give up fishing.
Matthew 4:19, Mark 1:17
- When the disciples did what they wanted to do, what did they find?

CHRIST CONFRONTS

*Christ confronts us to show
that there is purpose in living out
His will, not our own.*

CHRIST QUESTIONS PETER'S PRESENT LOVE - JOHN 21:15-17

- Jesus' question of love and Peter's response to love are different.
- Jesus' third question gets to the heart of the matter.
- Three questions ... three denials
- Peter experiences forgiveness (v.17).

CHRIST QUESTIONS

*When we come to the point of true
repentance, then Christ can do
through us that which
He desires us to do.*

CHRIST CHALLENGED PETER CONCERNING HIS FUTURE MINISTRY - JOHN 21:18-19

- God will be in charge, not Peter.
- Peter's ministry will be one of sacrifice.
- Peter's ministry will glorify God.

CHRIST CHALLENGES

*We are challenged to do ministry
in a sacrificial way and in a way that
glorifies God.*

APPLICATIONS

1. Ask the Lord to reveal to you how He can use your circumstance to glorify Himself.
2. Ask the Lord to reveal any unrepentant sin or attitude that may be keeping you from supreme love for Him.
3. As you do ... sacrifice!