

# MESSAGE NOTES

## “The God of Restoration”

Pastor Matt Mylin — September 12, 2021

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*John 21:15-22*

Jesus restored Peter by addressing three specific areas:  
Pride, Regret, and Comparison.

*Proverbs 16:18 (MSG)*

1. The God of restoration pursues us when we fall.

*Matthew 26:31-35*

2. The God of restoration gives us grace to deal with regrets.

*Luke 9:23-24*

3. The God of restoration invites us to follow him as a way of life.

*All scriptures are from the NIV unless otherwise noted.*

# COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING OUTLINE

*Where your faith intersects with real life!*

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## Connect:

Each person shares a recent high and low from their life.

[For new groups – have each person share a little about themselves – their name, where they are from, a little bit of their faith story, and how long they have been going to Worship Center].

## Explore:

*What is God saying to you through this message?*

**Big Idea:** Jesus came to restore our lives, and invites us to follow him.

**Choose one or two questions for your group to discuss as time allows.**

- ▶ Read Proverbs 16:18. Pastor Matt said, “Pride misguides.” What are some of the lies that pride tries to get us to believe?
- ▶ What motivates God to pursue us when we fall? What are a few mindsets that keep us from running to him when we fall?
- ▶ Read Matthew 26:31-35. Think about a time when you said, “I will never...” to something, but then you did it. What is God’s heart toward you in regards to that time?
- ▶ How is talking about our God of restoration relevant in our culture?

## Activate:

*Spend a moment in silence to consider your response, then share your decision with the group.*

How have you seen that God is pursuing you where you are at?

Read Luke 9:23-24 & Philippians 3:9-10. What is one step you could take to share his pursuit of you in a way that others would know his restorative love?

## Pray:

*Thank God for the highs shared and lift up the lows.*

Use popcorn prayer this week by asking each person to take turns saying a word or phrase as a prayer.

*Fill in the blank key: pride, regret, comparison; pursues; grace; follow*