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*Reconciliation: "A Real Second Chance"*

Text: John 13, 18–21



*God is the God of second chances.*

1. Failure brings disappointment.

Peter's pride: I will follow you anywhere! (John 13:31–38)

Peter's downfall: denying Christ. (John 18:15–18, 25–27)

2. Restoration brings hope.

Jesus shows Himself to the disciples. (21:1–14)

Jesus restores Peter. (21:15–19)

3. Truths to remember.

Don't be surprised when people fail.

Reconciliation is a two-way street.

- From the perspective of the offender: God will forgive our failures, even if we have not moved beyond them emotionally.
- From the perspective of the offended: We must mimic Christ's attitude of going in kindness to those who have hurt us so they may be restored.