All in the Same Boat

Main Idea

Easter teaches us the truth that Jesus didn't come to make bad people good, but to make dead people alive

Starter

How did you understand the message of Easter as a kid?

Discuss

What opportunities has God given you to share the hope of Jesus with someone recently?

Scripture

Have your group read the encounter of Jesus and Peter in John 21:1-17.

- What is a truth about Jesus that encourages you in this passage? Why?
- Put yourself in the Peter's shoes in this moment.
 - O How would you have felt after Jesus died?
 - o How would you have felt when you saw Jesus risen from the dead?
 - O How would you have felt when Jesus pulled you aside to talk one on one?
 - O How would you have felt after that conversation?
- When is a time in your life you've most needed to know God hasn't given up on you?
- How do you need to be reminded of the message of Easter this year?

Leaders: Make sure to remind your group of the power of the Gospel. The good news of Easter is not that God came to make bad people good, but to bring dead people to life. Through Jesus' death and resurrection, we can find the power to overcome the things that we are not strong enough to defeat—our sin, death, and the devil. In Christ, the old has gone, the new has come (2 Corinthians 5:17)! Consider reading the prayer Paul prays for the church in <u>Ephesians 3:14-21</u> as a prayer for your group before you close in prayer.

Apply

Have everyone share one way they need to trust Jesus' grace in their life this Easter and one person God has put in their life to share the hope of Jesus with.

Spend time praying for each other as the Spirit leads.