



Seasons of Failure

John 21

To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under heaven: ... A time to gain, And a time to lose... Ecclesiastes 3:1,6 (NKJV)

Why is failure so painful?

- ① _____ our Imperfections
- ② We _____ like a failure
- ③ We live in a _____-_____ Culture

... the wise will stumble, so that they may be refined, purified and made spotless... Daniel 11:35 (NIV)

Truth #1: Welcome
_____ into your failure

"We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. John 21:1-3 (NIV84)

"Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. John 21:4 (NIV84)

"He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. John 21:5 (NIV84)

"...be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew 28:20 (NLT)

"... God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never abandon you." Hebrews 13:5 (NLT)

Truth #2: Learn the value
of _____ obedience

"Then he said, "Throw out your net on the right-hand side of the boat, and you'll get some!" So they did, and they couldn't haul in the net because there were so many fish in it. Then the disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the Lord!" John 21:8-9 (NLT)

"Master," Simon replied, "we worked hard all last night and didn't catch a thing. But if you say so, I'll let the nets down again." Luke 5:5 (NLT)

"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work. 2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NLT)

Truth #3: be _____
about your failures

"After breakfast Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," Peter replied, "you know I love you." "Then feed my lambs," Jesus told him. John 21:15 (NLT)

Two Extremes

- Take _____ the responsibility
- Take _____ the responsibility

Truth #4: Let God
lead you _____

... Then Jesus told him, "Follow me." John 21: 19 (NLT)

"But if we confess our sins to him, he can be depended on to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong. And it is perfectly proper for God to do this for us because Christ died to wash away our sins. 1 John 1:9 (The Living Bible)