

Let Me Introduce You

"To the God of Restoration"

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Thread: **Let me introduce you to the God of Restoration.**

"Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of these men who heard what John said and then followed Jesus. Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means "Christ"). Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, "Your name is Simon, son of John—but you will be called Cephas" (which means "Peter")." **John 1:40-42 NLT**

Our past does not dictate our future because the presence of Jesus in us can cause a change in our behaviors and attitudes. His presence builds our character, our moral compass and even our belief system.

Jesus knows the plan and purpose that was knit into you and breathed into you as YOU were formed in your mother's womb.

*"When they entered the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a white robe sitting on the right side. The women were shocked, but the angel said, "Don't be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He isn't here! He is risen from the dead! Look, this is where they laid his body. Now go and tell his disciples, **including Peter**, that Jesus is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you before he died."* **Mark 16:5-7 NLT**

Condemnation: An accusation, a scolding or punishment for a bad act.

Conviction: Compelled to admit the truth or admit our wrong doing so that we can be restored! Restored = being placed back into our original state.

*"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. Jesus repeated the question: "Simon son of John, do you love me?" "Yes, Lord," Peter said, "you know I love you." "Then take care of my sheep," Jesus said. A third time he asked him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt that Jesus asked the question a third time. He said, "Lord, you know everything. You know that I love you." Jesus said, "Then feed my sheep." **John 21:15-18 NLT***

*"Now I say to you that you are Peter (which means 'rock'), and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it." **Matthew 16:18 NLT***

Challenges:

1. Is there an area of your life that you haven't allowed God to restore? If so, will you invite Him in to do that work?
2. Do you know your purpose in the work of the Kingdom of God? If not, will you allow God to reveal it to you?
3. Is there anyone in your life that needs encouragement that God restores and that their past doesn't define their future?

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