

- 1) Begin your time by briefly praying and asking the Holy Spirit to help you as you discuss and study.
- 2) Read John 20-21 together.
- 3) What stuck out to you as you read? Is there anything you don't understand? Is there anything you'd like to discuss?
- 4) This passage describes many of things Jesus did after rising from the dead but before ascending to heaven. What do you think is Jesus' overall message to his disciples (and us) is?
- 5) Is it significant that Jesus appeared first to a woman when he rose from the dead? Explain.
- 6) Why do you think that Thomas struggled to believe that Jesus really had risen?
- 7) How did Jesus respond to Thomas' doubt? What does this teach us about how he responds to our doubts?
- 8) During breakfast, Jesus asked Peter essentially the same question three different times. Why did he do this?
- 9) Peter denied Jesus three times and Jesus forgave Peter. This is deep grace. Peter had abandoned his friend and teacher at Jesus' deepest moment of need, and yet Jesus still loved Peter and forgave him. How does God express his love and grace to you? When do you feel this most succinctly?
- 10) What does verse 18 have to do with the rest of this story with Jesus and Peter?
- 11) Sometimes it's easy for us to follow Jesus and sometimes it's hard. Why do you find it difficult to follow Jesus? Explain.
- 12) End your time in prayer. Ask God to help you apply the things you've discussed and learned during this time of study.