

In the past few months, where have you seen the most progress in your life? Where have you seen the least progress in your life?

- Personal Discipline
- Spiritual Development
- Self-control
- Concern for Others
- Family Relationships
- Moral Courage
- Bible Understanding
- Openness to God's Will
- Change in Priorities
- Attitude about Work/School
- Ability to Relax/Unwind



FROM JOHN'S GOSPEL  
Message #36  
John 21:15-17

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## Loving God

### 3 GREEK WORDS FOR LOVE

**Eros**..... Where the word **erotic** comes from

**Phileo**.. To have affection or feeling for someone, as in a **friendship**  
To have care for other humans = **philanthropic**

**Agape**.. A devoted love, a **commitment**.  
A determination of will - despite the other's shortcomings

### GIVE HIM YOUR EMOTIONS

*John 21:15; Matt. 26:33*

Peter express his love - with **phileo**

### GIVE HIM YOUR MIND

*John 21:16; John 13:37*

**Teach** them what they need to know - so they **can** thrive (15)

disciple them, **guide** them - so they **will continue** to thrive (16)

This time Peter express his love - with **phileo**

### GIVE HIM YOUR WILL

*John 21:17; John 1*

**emotions** = feelings

**mind** = intellect

**will** = character

**Agape love is unconditional - It's God love toward you!**

- *We love because he first loved us.* - 1 John 4:19 (19:10)

- *God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.* - Romans 5:8

- *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,[a] that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.* - John 3:16

# Community Group Homework

For the week of April 19, 2009

## QUICK REVIEW

Looking back over your sermon notes, was there any particular point or passage of Scripture that most challenged, confused or caught your attention?

## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. Who was expected to do the most chores around the house when you were a child?

- Who got off the easiest?

2. Why did Peter get pressed 3 times with the same question?

## DIGGING DEEPER

3. Read John 21:1-14. Pastor Bill didn't discuss these verses, so we'll look at them in the group time.

- Compare this story to Luke 5:1-11. Why do you think Jesus might repeat this type of miracle now?

4. Where did Jesus get the fish in Luke 14:19?

- how does this relate to what Jesus did in John 13:1-17?

5. Read John 21:18-22

- What does vs. 18 mean?

- Why did Peter ask about John right away?

- What is the crucial issue revealed in Jesus' response to Peter in vs. 22? How is it linked to verses 15-17?

## TAKING IT HOME

If you were asked the same question that Jesus asked Peter, how would you respond?

If you had to write a book about Jesus' work in your life, what would be the first 3 chapter titles?

What one thing do you remember from this study in John's Gospel?