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Message Title: God Did It
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This study guide has been designed for Small Groups in mind, and can be used by individuals as well.

Last week Brian Hughes continued the reclaimed series with "He did it or she did it" Our lives are not just marred by what we've done, but also because of what someone else did to us. Along the way, people hurt people. You may have sent a letter or made a call. If you would like to share. Was there a first step in your forgiveness of others?

As we learned in the first two weeks of the reclaimed series our lives are marred by what we have done and what others have done to us. This week we learned that when it comes to restoring our lives, God is going to do it. We also learned it is not easy to accept that offer of restoration, mainly because we struggle with forgiving ourselves.

Take a moment and reflect on the things that you feel you can't forgive yourself for. You don't have to share but write it down here.

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Bryan talked about two things that Jesus does for Peter before he restores him.

- Jesus names and invites us
- Jesus reminds us of his power

Talk with your group about a time when Jesus invited you, sent a message through someone, or clearly called you. Has there ever been a time when Jesus reminded you of his power in your life at a time you felt distant from him?

Read James 5:16 together. Is there a person that you can confide in and have a conversation with regarding the one thing you can't forgive yourself for? Who would that be?

What would keep you from sharing certain things in your small group? Discuss these roadblocks as a group if you are willing.

The book of Nehemiah tells a powerful story of restoration of the wall of Jerusalem. Read Nehemiah 1 together.

- What was the first thing Nehemiah did when he heard the state of affairs in Jerusalem?
- What are some ways that Nehemiah did to draw closer to God to seek his help?
- When you have a challenge how do you typically handle it?
- How can Nehemiah's actions help you as you seek to start your restoration?

Notes: