

# GETTING PAST THE PAST

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## INTRODUCTION

Experiencing Freedom

Faith in Jesus frees us to live the life we were created for

**KEY POINT: Jesus address our past to empower our present and advance our future**

**TEXT: John 21:15-22**

- **Our past has the power to hijack our present and undermine our future**

Living with regrets

Things we wish we could undo (Control Z)

Things we don't share with others...

Jesus loves us too much to leave us as we are

- **Sometimes Jesus takes us backwards to move us forwards**

Jesus is willing to make us uncomfortable in order to make us unstoppable

- **Following Jesus empower us to live a more consequential life**

Living for a higher purpose

## Getting Past the Past

### 1. Face the past with Jesus

Honesty and transparency

Embracing repentance: Acknowledging our sin and turning from it

### 2. Receive His grace

He won't take you to places where His grace is unable to bring you through

### 3. Redirect your life

Living for something greater

### 4. Follow Him into the future

Regardless of what others choose, I will follow Him

**RESPONSE:** Receive His grace to help you get past the past!