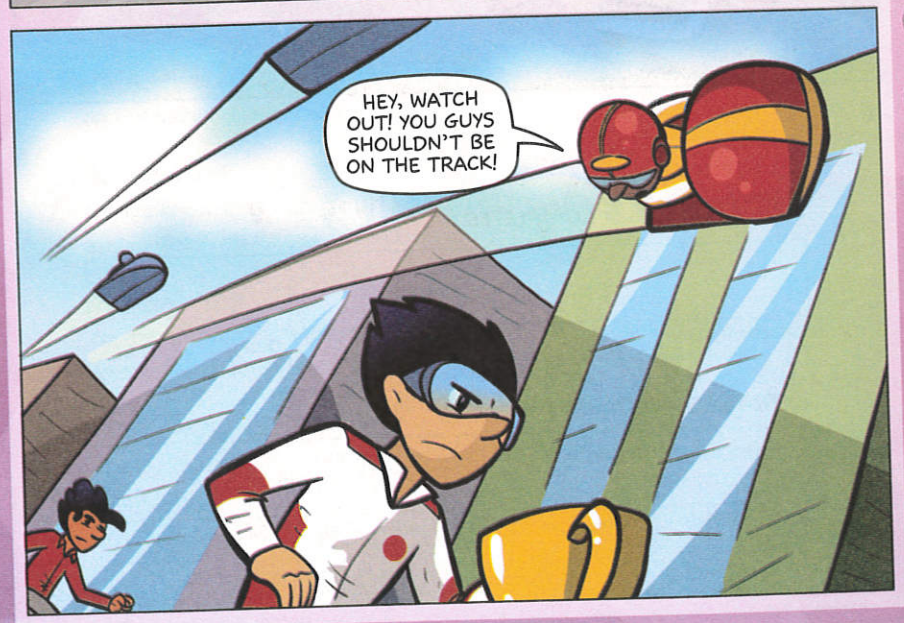
SECTION 3.6

Jesus Restores



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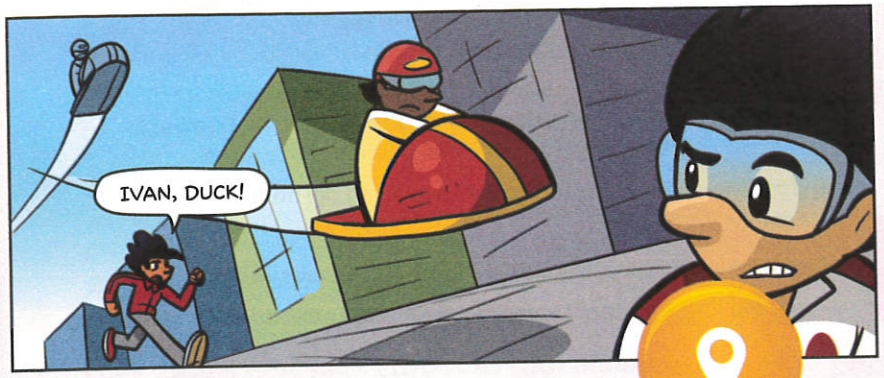

Start Here

Have you ever had an argument with a friend or hurt a friend's feelings? How did you make things better with your friend? Draw or write about what happened in the space provided below.

Optional: Ask your parent or guardian, "How do you make things better when you have a fight with a friend? What do you do or say?" In the space below, draw or write what he or she tells you.

Explore

Look up and read your memory verse, 1 Peter 5:10, in your Bible.

Peter, the disciple who wrote that verse, was one of Jesus' 12 disciples. Peter loved Jesus deeply. He also learned that God uses the hard things we go through to make us more like Jesus.

Before Jesus was arrested and taken away to die on the cross, He talked with Peter.

Look up and read Matthew 26:33-35 in your Bible.

What did Jesus say that Peter would do? (Matthew 26:34)

What would happen after Peter denied Jesus? (Matthew 26:34)

Jesus said that Peter would deny Him before the rooster crowed three times. But verse 35 tells us that Peter said that he would rather die than say he didn't know Jesus.

So what happened after Jesus had been arrested?

Look up and read Matthew 26:69-75 in your Bible.

What did Peter tell the servant girl in verse 70? "I don't what you are talking about."

In verse 72 another girl said he was one of the disciples. Peter said,

"I _____ know the Man!"

A third time someone said Peter knew Jesus and Peter said,

"I don't _____ the Man!" (Verse 74)

Immediately, after Peter denied Jesus the third time, what happened? (Verse 74)

What Jesus had predicted came true! Peter felt horrible because Jesus saw it all happen.

How do you think you would feel if you could see Jesus look at you after you said that you didn't know Him? Circle the answers that match how you would feel.

UPSET **SAD** **EMBARASSED** **ASHAMED**

God loved Peter just like God loves you. Remember that God is patient, and He won't give up on us.

John 21 tells the story of Peter spending time with Jesus, and Jesus restoring (making right) their relationship.

Look up and read John 21:15-19 in your Bible.

What question did Jesus ask Peter three times and how did Peter answer?

Jesus restored Peter, and it changed him forever. Peter learned what it meant to stand up and say that he knew Jesus when others might hate him for it. Peter reminds us that God will give us the strength that we need to do what He wants us to do, and He will be glorified.

Is there something in your relationship with Jesus that needs to be restored? Take a minute to pray and talk to Him about it!

DEFINITION
RESTORE — to make right or complete, to mend

Discussion Questions

These questions are just a few that your small group will talk about. Think about your responses to the following questions.

1. **What is going on in your life that you need Jesus to restore (make right again)?**
2. **How does knowing that Jesus restores you after you fail give you confidence?**

Silver Extra Credit

What happened to Peter after Jesus rose again and then went to heaven? How did God use Peter to help others know about Him?

Look up and read Acts 2:38-41 in your Bible.

What did Peter tell the people to do? (Hint: Look at verse 38.)

How many were saved that day? (Hint: Look at verse 41.)

Look up and read Acts 3:1-8 in your Bible.

What did God do through Peter?

Who got the praise because he was healed?

Look up and read Acts 4:7-12 in your Bible.

Peter is speaking to the men who had him arrested and were angry with him. These were the same men that had hated Jesus. This time, Peter was not afraid. He boldly spoke about Jesus.

In the space provided below, write out Acts 4:12.

God had restored Peter and gave him the strength and boldness to speak the truth about God in front of those who hated what he had to say.

go reach kids!

Mission: Pray & GO!

DISCOVERING THE GREAT COMMISSION

VIETNAM

GROWTH

Binh Le's leaders encouraged him and other kids to believe in God's purpose for their lives and to try out leadership roles at their Awana club. He bravely decided he wanted to try out being a leader, and he began to learn how to do this. Now he and his friends are leaders at Awana groups to kids like the ones in this picture. Binh Le walks by foot and crosses a river by boat to a remote village to run one of the Awana clubs that recently started. He often organizes the kids, does the teaching, leads discussion, and runs the Game Time!

Curious about Binh Le's story? Go to the next prayer page to read more!

PRAY

Pray for kids like Binh Le, who bravely say yes to a challenge to grow and lead, that God would bless and encourage them.

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Earn awards within Awana GO by completing these Mission: Pray & GO! sections. For more details, see pages 6-7!

Memorize

1 Peter 5:10

And the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will Himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.

Review

Matthew 28:6

He is not here; He has risen, just as He said. Come and see the place where He lay.

Gold Extra Credit

Jeremiah 24:7

I will give them a heart to know Me, that I am the LORD. They will be My people, and I will be their God, for they will return to Me with all their heart.

Psalm 51:12

Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Romans 5:3-4

Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.

Romans 8:18

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

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