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Give your answer!

Do you love me?

(John 21:16)

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Dear friends of go4peace,

often life unexpectedly asks for our love. A child has fallen, crying and looking at us imploringly. A refugee struggles with an application document. He doesn't understand the questions. A beggar appears on our door. A mother has fallen ill and is unable to care for her children. Someone is walking up and down a street looking for something. A relationship is broken and people are left lonely.

When life presents us with such situations, it asks for my love in a very real way. I am called to give my part and give myself. Peter had failed at many moments of his life. In the most difficult moments of his life, he had even denied Jesus. But life went on, bringing new opportunities and occasions in which the risen Jesus asks Peter: Do you love me? Again he got given a chance. He tells Jesus, "You know that I love you!"

I told a newlywed couple that the coins in my wallet always remind me that love alone gives value! Over the course of a month, I had decided to give a Euro to young people every time we experienced a special moment of true love. The young woman looked at me beaming and said, "You know, this morning I was with a patient who is seriously ill and can't do much anymore. When I said goodbye, she rummaged in her bag and gave me a 2 Euro coin. She said: 'I don't want to pay you! This little coin is supposed to be a good luck charm for you!' I could feel how much the woman simply wanted to say THANK YOU to me!" - **Give your answer!**

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