



The Look That Changes Everything

Sermon Discussion Questions - March 27, 2022

Text

Matthew 26:69–75

Discussion Questions

1. Read Matthew 26:30–35 and Matthew 26:69–75.
 - a. What motivates Peter's denial? How do his denials progress?
 - b. In what ways is Peter a spectator to Jesus' trial rather than a disciple?
 - c. How do you think Peter felt when the rooster crowed? How would you feel if you said you wouldn't do something and ended up doing it anyway?
2. Read John 21:15–19. What stands out to you about the conversation between Jesus and Peter? What encouragement do you find in knowing the "happy ending" to Peter's story?
3. We sometimes say, "Failure is not final," or "Your worst day isn't your last day." In what ways does Peter's story show us those realities? What can we learn about the nature of grace and mercy from his story? What about perseverance?
4. Think about the legacy you want to leave, either to your kids or your friends and loved ones. What do you want to be remembered for? What **one step** could you take this week to start building that legacy?
5. Gather in groups of 2–3 people, of the same gender. In what ways are you denying Christ by **not** denying yourself? Confess that to one another, and pray for one another.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for Peter, and the way You worked in his life. He denied You, yet You never stopped loving him. You pursued him, the same way You pursue each one of us. Thank You for Your love. It teaches us to deny ourselves and to live lives that honor You. In Jesus' name, amen.

