



SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of May 24, 2026

Mark 14:66-72

And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came, 67 and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, “You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus.” 68 But he denied it, saying, “I neither know nor understand what you mean.” And he went out into the gateway[h] and the rooster crowed. 69 And the servant girl saw him and began again to say to the bystanders, “This man is one of them.” 70 But again he denied it. And after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, “Certainly you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.” 71 But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, “I do not know this man of whom you speak.” 72 And immediately the rooster crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, “Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times.” And he broke down and wept.

1. *Do you think Peter denied Jesus three times because he didn't believe He was the Messiah and Savior of the world? Explain. Do you know people who once claimed to be Christian but are now living as unbelievers? What do you think causes sincere God-fearing people to turn away from Jesus? Would you ever turn away from Christ? How do you know?*
2. Peter boasted that even if everyone else turned away from Jesus, he never would, why do you think he was so self confident? Is having self confidence always wrong? What should we learn from Peter's self confidence?
3. What does it mean to be broken by our sin? How does brokenness lead to blessing? Second Corinthians 7:10 says, *“For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.”* What is the difference between godly grief and worldly grief?
4. In our sermon we heard “one of the most important things we should learn from Scripture is what a Christian actually looks like”. How does a genuine Christian respond when they sin? Conversely, how does a pseudo (fake) Christian respond to their sin? How do **you** respond to your sin?
5. What did Peter know/learn about the grace of God that Judas did not? Do you think it's easy or hard to accept the grace of God? When was the last time you sat in mournful sorrow over your sin? Describe what that was like.