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Christ's Unfaithful Friends
Luke 22:54-62

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1. Know _____ (vv.54-60)

Luke 22:54 Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house, and Peter was following at a distance. **55** And when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat down among them. **56** Then a servant girl, seeing him as he sat in the light and looking closely at him, said, "This man also was with him." **57** But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." **58** And a little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not." **59** And after an interval of about an hour still another insisted, saying, "Certainly this man also was with him, for he too is a Galilean." **60** But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about." And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. **61** And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the saying of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the rooster crows today, you will deny me three times." **62** And he went out and wept bitterly. (ESV)

2. Know _____ (v.61)

3. Know _____ (v.62)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about small groups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please call the church office at (949) 540-0699 or email us at SmallGroups@CompassChurch.org.

1. Read **Matthew 13:24-30**. What makes it challenging in some situations to distinguish the sinful stumbling of Peter from the sinful apostasy of Judas? What is at stake for our own lives if we fail to discern the difference?
2. Read **Luke 5:8; 18:10-14** and **James 3:2**. What is the problem with those who insist on being "wheat" (cf. Mt. 13) by claiming that they are not sinners?
3. Read **Titus 2:11-14**. How can you reconcile being consciously aware of your spiritual frailties while zealously and confidently pursuing these aspirations?
4. Read **James 4:4-10**. What do you learn from this passage about getting up and moving forward when you have stumbled in your Christian walk?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

September 30th
Is. 19-21 & Eph. 2

October 1st
Is. 22-23 & Eph. 3

October 2nd
Is. 24-26 & Eph. 4

October 3rd
Is. 27-28 & Eph. 5

October 4th
Is. 29-30 & Eph. 6

October 5th
Is. 31-33 & Phil. 1

October 6th
Is. 34-36 & Phil. 2

October 7th
Is. 37-38 & Phil. 3

This Week's Compass 20/20 Discussion Question

- Read **1 Corinthians 1:26-31**. In what ways are you heartened in your praying and anticipation of our Compass 20/20 ambitions when you consider how God worked through Peter and the disciples in the Book of Acts?

Streaming of both the audio and video of today's sermon is available on the Compass website (CompassChurch.org). The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 13-30 – **Apostasy & Stumbling Saints**
Msg. 18-23 – **Strength in Frailty**
Msg. 14-19 – **A Grueling Spiritual Battle**
Msg. 08-25 – **Sin & Its Deceitfulness**
Msg. 07-34 – **Purity Instead of Promiscuity**
Msg. 13-01 – 1304 – **Temptation** (a four-part series on temptation)
Msg. 07-25 – 07-32 – **Our Fight with Sin** (an eight-part series on temptation)

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Alcorn, Randy. **Christians in the Wake of the Sexual Revolution: Recovering Our Sanity**. Multnomah Press, 1985.
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