

Living Connections Bible Study



Standing by the Right Fire

Text: John 13:36-38

Icebreaker: How has hanging out with the right/wrong crowd affected your behavior for good or bad?

1. How did Peter and the other disciples respond when they learned that Jesus was about to be betrayed and crucified? Matthew 26:31-35; John 13:36-38

2. What should we guard our hearts against lest we fall? Proverbs 16:18; 1 Corinthians 10:12

3. What prideful statements did Peter make in the following verses? Do you think he meant them?
Matthew 26:33,35

Mark 14:29

Luke 22:33

John 13:37

4. What warning did Jesus give Peter before he denied his Lord? What promise and commission did Jesus give Peter here? Luke 22:31-32

5. What important discipline might have kept Peter from failing Jesus? Psalm 119:11; Joshua 1:8

6. What good advice did Jesus give Peter that could have given him victory the night of Jesus arrest and trial? Mark 14:37-38; 1 Peter 5:8

7. What mistake do we sometimes make when facing severe trial? Luke 22:54

8. What mistake did Peter make that night in the courtyard of the high priest's house where Jesus' trial began?

John 18:18 _____

Luke 22:55; Psalm 1:1-2 _____

9. Who and what did Peter deny in Luke 22:56-57?

10. What does Peter deny in Luke 22:58?

The devil is never content to get us to deny Jesus. He tries to get the backslider to deny his association and fellowship with other Christians; otherwise he may recover through the encouragement and help of Christian friends.

11. What is Peter denying in Mark 14:70-71?

12. What was it that arrested Peter's attention, and how does God get our attention when we have denied our Lord? Luke 22:60; Proverbs 13:15

When we get away from the Lord we can make a real mess out of things. Our rooster may be the sight of a dusty and neglected Bible, an argument with a loved one, a financial crisis, the mess we have made of things, somebody saying, *I'm praying for you*, etc.

13. How did Jesus assure Peter that He still loved him and was willing to restore him?

Luke 22:61-62; Psalm 51:17

Mark 16:7

Luke 24:34; 1 Corinthians 15:5

Think about it this week:

Read John 21. In this post Resurrection account Jesus met His disciples around a campfire at the Sea of Galilee. How did Jesus teach Peter the importance of depending on Him and assure him of his love and usefulness to the Master?