

Ep.1225: Can Jesus' Resurrection Revive My Faltering Faith?

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- 1. Who was Peter? Describe his devastating failure on the night of our Lord's death.

 What was Peter's teaching as a mature Christian about failure and trial? What three aspects should we expect in our experiences? (See Luke 22:54-61, John 18:25, 1 Peter 4:12-14)
- 2. What was the first lesson Jesus gave Peter to prepare him for failure and trial? What action did Jesus take to illustrate this lesson? What was Peter's reaction and Jesus' response? Evaluate the three perspectives for this lesson. How have you trusted in God's providence? (See John 13:3-10)
- 3. How does Peter's advice tie together trust and humility? List all the aspects of advice he gives in this short passage. How does Proverbs 3:5 relate? (See 1 Peter 5:6-8)
- 4. What is Jesus' prediction during the Last Supper? What was Peter's reaction and Jesus' response? How did the other apostles respond to Peter's words? How did Peter's immature faith cause his reaction? What was he trusting in rather than God? (See Matthew 26:31-35, Proverbs 3:5,6)
- 5. During the Gethsemane experience, what opportunity did Peter, James and John miss when they fell asleep? What opportunities have you missed because of the distractions of the world? How should we react when we are asked about "the hope that is in you"? (See Mark 14:32-42, Luke 22:32, 1 Peter 3:13-15)
- 6. Why did Peter react with aggression when Judas and the soldiers came to arrest Jesus? How did Jesus react? Why was his fierce protectiveness of Jesus wrong? How can we keep ourselves from reacting emotionally? (See Luke 22:47-53, John 18:10-11, 1 Peter 1:13-16)
- 7. Describe the progression of the three denials: What are the lessons we gain from this massive failure on Peter's part? What is necessary for us to grow through our weaknesses? How are we protected in our trials? (See John 18:13-27, Luke 22:54-65, 1 Peter 1:3-7, Proverbs 3:6)
- 8. What did the angel tell the women who went to Jesus' tomb to do? How does the risen Lord Jesus resummon Peter's <u>loyalty</u>? What action was Peter to take? Why did Peter use a reference to sheep in 1 Peter 2:21-25? (See Mark 16:1-7, Matthew 26:32, John 21:15-17)
- 9. How does the risen Lord Jesus resummon Peter's <u>watchfulness?</u> What responsibilities was Peter given? What three pieces of advice does he give in regards to these jobs? (See John 21:16, 1 Peter 5:1-3)
- 10. What is Jesus' final question referring to? How does this resummon Peter's <u>protectiveness</u>? How does he finally show his grasp of the two levels of love in 1 Peter 1:22? (See John 21:17)
- 11. Was Peter worth all the bother Jesus went through to prepare him to fail? Are you? How has Jesus been working in your life to properly bring out your humility, loyalty, watchfulness and protectiveness? How can you recover from a failure of faith?

