

Peter's Denial of Jesus - 5/22/22 (Matthew 26:58, 69-75)

I. Peter Displays _____ and _____ - v.58

II. Peter Displays _____ in _____ - v.69-74

v.72 - Sproul writes "We take solemn _____ to underline emphatically that we are _____ the _____. . . So, when Peter denied Jesus with an _____, it was as if he were saying, 'As _____ is my _____, I do not _____ the _____!'"

v.74 - This word for " _____ " gives the idea of _____ to _____.

v.73-74 - While _____ was ensuring His _____ by declaring that He is the _____ and _____ of _____, His lead _____ was speaking _____ of Him.

Peter had at least 3 failures that led to his denials of Jesus:

- He was _____ when Jesus _____ his _____
- He was specifically told by Jesus to _____ and _____ in the _____, but he _____
- Once the scene in the courtyard became _____ than _____ could _____ he should have _____

Ryle writes that this passage "teaches us plainly that the _____ of _____ are only _____, and men encompassed with many _____. . . It shows us the necessity of _____: so long as we are in the _____, we are in _____."

Of Peter's _____, _____ and lack of _____, Ryle writes "Great falls _____ happen to a _____, without a _____ course of _____."

III. Peter Displays _____ For His _____ - v.74-75

v.75; Luke 22:60-62 - Two things broke Peter's heart: the _____ of his _____, and the _____ of his _____.

v.75 (with Luke 22:61) - Peter's sorrow was the beginning of godly _____ that resulted in _____. His weeping was _____ over _____ the _____ of his _____, but over seeing the kind of _____ he _____ against.

Christians should have _____ over our _____, but it should never be a _____ of _____. Rather than allowing _____ to drive us _____ from _____, we should let God's guaranteed _____ for us and our desire for _____ fellowship _____ us to the Lord.