

Introduction to 1 Peter Discussion Questions

I. **Accept the Forgiveness of Christ for Your Failures**

- A. Matthew 26:31-35. Jesus foretold that Peter would deny Him.
 - 1. How did Peter respond to Jesus' statement that all the disciples would abandon Him? (26:33)
 - 2. What prediction did Jesus make about Peter? (26:34)
 - 3. What did Peter have to say when Jesus said Peter would disown Him? (26:35)
 - 4. How did the rest of the disciples react to these depressing comments by Christ? (26:35)
 - 5. What situations might tempt you to be quiet or low-key about your relationship with Jesus Christ?
 - 6. If wide-scale persecution of Christians broke out in this country, as it has in so many others, how do you think many Christians would respond? Why?
 - 7. In what particular situation(s) this week do you need to make it clear—for the first time—that you are a follower of Jesus Christ?
- B. Matthew 26:69–75. Peter Denies Jesus.
 - 1. How did Peter react when he realized what he had done? (26:75)
 - 2. If you were accused of being a close follower of Jesus Christ and were put on trial, would witnesses be able to come forward to present evidence against you?
 - 3. Whom might you be able to engage in a conversation about Jesus Christ this week?
- C. John 21:1–19. Jesus restores Peter.
 - 1. What did Jesus ask Peter three times? (21:15-17)
 - 2. How did Peter feel after Jesus had asked him the same question three times? (21:17)
 - 3. Who are Jesus' sheep?
 - 4. How are we to serve and care for other Christians?
 - 5. How can you serve or care for a fellow Christian?

II. **Accomplish His will through His Power (Acts 2:38-41)**

- A. What had just happened to the disciples before Peter had begun to preach? (Acts 2:1-4)
- B. What effect did Peter's sermon have? (2:41)
- C. How many were added to the fellowship of believers that day? (2:41)

III. **Advance His kingdom till death claims you (John 21:18-19)**

- A. What did Jesus predict about Peter's future? (21:18-19)
- B. Why do you think Jesus shared this information with Peter?