

Video Study Guide

Discussion Questions:

1. Someone read Matthew 26:31-35. Why do you think Peter was so overwhelmingly confident that he would dare to contradict Jesus?
2. Now read Matthew 26:36-46. Why do you think Peter did not take Jesus' call to prayer very seriously? What was he thinking?
3. Read Colossians 4:2. What do you think being watchful in prayer means? How do you measure up to the example of Peter, James and John in the Garden?
4. Read Matthew 26:69-75. Who did Peter deny Jesus to? Why was he afraid of them. Why do you think Peter failed? What was going on in his mind?
5. If you are comfortable enough, share stories about how you have failed like Peter in the past and felt unqualified to be in the service of Jesus.
6. Read 2 Corinthians 4:7. Discuss the image and then discuss its application to us. What are some of the flaws you see in yourself that some might think would make you unworthy of ministry?
7. Look at 2 Corinthians 4:7 in the following versions. Discuss what wording speaks most to you. "But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us." ESV

"If you only look at us, you might well miss the brightness. We carry this precious Message around in the unadorned clay pots of our ordinary lives. That's to prevent anyone from confusing God's incomparable power with us." MSG

"We now have this light shining in our hearts, but we ourselves are like fragile clay jars containing this great treasure. This makes it clear that our great power is from God, not from ourselves." NLT

8. Take a clay pot or even just a styrofoam cup. Write down various weaknesses that your group has mentioned and tape them to the outside. Now write in big letters and put inside the pot or cup a piece of paper with these words: GOD'S TREASURE.
9. Pray for each other and the weaknesses you all have to deal with. Offer them up to God and ask him to work through these flawed people.