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⁷⁰ But he denied it before them all. “I don’t know what you’re talking about,” he said.

⁷¹ Then he went out to the gateway, where another servant girl saw him and said to the people there, “This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth.”

⁷² He denied it again, with an oath: “I don’t know the man!”

⁷³ After a little while, those standing there went up to Peter and said, “Surely you are one of them; your accent gives you away.”

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Dismissive

Fearful

Afraid

Weak

Coward?

Luke 22:54-62

⁵⁴ Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house, **and Peter was following at a distance.**

⁵⁵ And when they had **kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard** and sat down together, Peter sat down among them

⁵⁶ Then a servant girl, seeing him as he sat in the light and looking closely at him, said, "This man also was with him."

⁵⁷ But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him."

⁵⁸ And a little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not."

⁵⁹ And after an interval of about an hour still another insisted, saying, "Certainly this man also was with him, for he too is a Galilean."

⁶⁰ But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about." And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed.

⁶¹ **And the Lord turned and looked at Peter.** And Peter remembered the saying of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the rooster crows today, you will deny me three times." ⁶² And he went out and wept bitterly.

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John 18:15-27

¹⁵ And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so *did* another disciple. Now that disciple was known to the high priest, and went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest.

¹⁶ But Peter stood at the door outside. Then the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to her who kept the door, and brought Peter in.

¹⁷ Then the servant girl who kept the door said to Peter, “You are not also *one* of this Man’s disciples, are you?” He said, “I am not.”

¹⁸ Now the servants and officers who had made a fire of coals stood there, for it was cold, and they warmed themselves. And Peter stood with them and warmed himself.

²⁵ ...Therefore they said to him, “You are not also *one* of His disciples, are you?” He denied *it* and said, “I am not!”

²⁶ One of the servants of the high priest, a relative *of him* whose ear Peter cut off, said, “Did I not see you in the garden with Him?”

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Matthew 5:34-37

Sermon on The Mount

³⁴ But I say to you, do not swear at all: neither by heaven, for it is God's throne;

³⁵ nor by the earth, for it is His footstool; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King

³⁶ Nor shall you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black.

³⁷ But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one.

Matthew 5:37-39

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³⁸ “You have heard that it was said, ‘Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.’

³⁹ But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also.

We too deny Jesus, when we let fear, apathy or earthly distractions drive our selfish behavior and when we *choose* to follow Him from a distance rather than closely and intimately, as He has called us to do.

What was the relationship like
between Peter and Jesus?

Do you ever feel like a “Peter”?

As it is written:
“There is no one
righteous, not even one;

Romans 3:10 NIV

Jesus sees us as He intends us to be, not as we see ourselves in our moments of weakness.

What parts of your life make
you feel like a “Peter”?

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- Failed Relationship, friendship or marriage
- Shame for how you’re managing your money or portfolio
- Relapse or continued struggle with various addictions
- Knowing we hurt our spouse, kids, friend with our words or actions
- Letting our anger get the better of us
- Demeaning or devaluing others
- Proclaiming Jesus on Sunday and excluding him Monday – Saturday
- Harming others to get ahead in your career

And YET... There is HOPE!

15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to **empathize with our weaknesses**, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.

16 Let us then approach God's throne of grace with **confidence**, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Hebrews 4:15-16

Matthew 16:13-19

“13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”

”14 They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

15 “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

16 Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

17 Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven.

18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be[d] bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

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2nd Corinthians 5:17

“17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old has gone, the new is here!”



Where in your life do you feel
your fear is valid?

Jesus knows and empathizes with our fear and weakness, even ones that feel vivid, valid and worth hanging on to. He is the one that overcomes fear, not us. His grace is sufficient.

“If the Lord be with us, we have no cause of fear. His eye is upon us, His arm over us, His ear open to our prayer – His grace sufficient, His promise unchangeable. Under his protection, though the path of duty should lie through fire and water, we may cheerfully and confidently pursue it. “

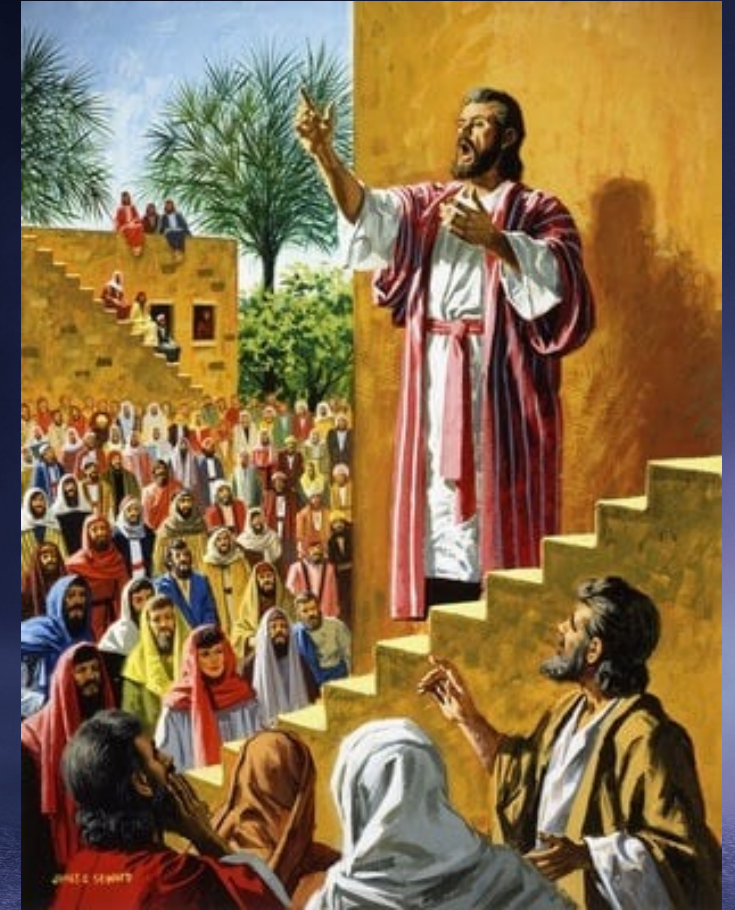
- Rev. John Newton

So... therefore... what now?

Where does **Peter** go from here?

Where do **WE** go from here?

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Jesus forgives our unfaithfulness, and has a plan to make us new and to transform us.

“All change comes from deepening your understanding of the salvation of Christ and **LIVING** out the changes that understanding creates in your heart”.

- Timothy Keller

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- **Will you take hold of the FREEDOM that is in Christ, the conqueror of fear, and accept the grace that he heaps on you daily?**

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