

Is Safety Your King?

In this series, we will learn...

1. Everyone has an _____ king that they serve and this king _____ their thoughts and actions.
2. Many people who would call Jesus “_____” do not understand that He must also be _____.

John 18:15 Simon Peter and another disciple were following Jesus. Because this disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the high priest's courtyard, 16 but Peter had to wait outside at the door. The other disciple, who was known to the high priest, came back, spoke to the servant girl on duty there and brought Peter in. 17 "You aren't one of this man's disciples too, are you?" she asked Peter. He replied, "I am not." 18 It was cold, and the servants and officials stood around a fire they had made to keep warm. Peter also was standing with them, warming himself. 19 Meanwhile, the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. 20 "I have spoken openly to the world," Jesus replied. "I always taught in synagogues or at the temple, where all the Jews come together. I said nothing in secret. 21 Why question me? Ask those who heard me. Surely they know what I said." 22 When Jesus said this, one of the officials nearby slapped him in the face. "Is this the way you answer the high priest?" he demanded. 23 "If I said something wrong," Jesus replied, "testify as to what is wrong. But if I spoke the truth, why did you strike me?" 24 Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest. 25 Meanwhile, Simon Peter was still standing there warming himself. So they asked him, "You aren't one of his disciples too, are you?" He denied it, saying, "I am not." 26 One of the high priest's servants, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, challenged him, "Didn't I see you with him in the garden?" 27 Again Peter denied it, and at that moment a rooster began to crow.

Peter's King... _____

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This kind of behavior is _____ of Peter. Instead of being brash and _____, he's following at a _____.

John is identified as one of Jesus' disciples, and he seems quite _____ being known. Why, then, is Peter so _____?

Just getting to this point, Peter has set himself up to _____...

Psalm 1:1 Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,

Peter is hanging out in the _____ - _____ while John is with the _____ of the _____!

The Infamous (“Peter, how could you do it?”) Denials...

1. A _____ question posed by a _____ girl... and Peter's reply stands in stark contrast to Christ's _____.
2. “_____” ask... and Peter responds more _____.
Matt 26:72 He denied it again, with an oath: "I don't know the man!"
3. An _____ speaks up... and the reply is _____.
Matt 26:74 Then he began to call down curses, and he swore to them, "I don't know the man!"

The Reality of the Rooster

Lk 22:60 Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. 61 The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times."

Annas' King... safety through _____

John 18: 19 Meanwhile, the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching.

Annas is a fairly rotten _____ who was power-hungry and _____.

Annas “questions” Jesus on two things:

- 1- _____ - to gauge how much _____ support Jesus has
Jn 11:48 If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him,
Jn 12:19 So the Pharisees said to one another, "See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!"
- 2- _____ - to try to get Jesus to _____ himself

Jesus' Response:

- I've taught _____ and _____.
- _____ those who heard me.
- receives a _____ in the face

Jesus stands up to his _____ and denies nothing.

Peter cowers before his questioners and _____ everything.

What do we learn?

- 1- Peter _____ Christ as king in his life by taking his eyes off God's plan and relying on his own _____ to lead his life.
- 2- The crowing of the rooster is often seen as a _____ point in history, but it's really a signal of the _____ of a new day!
- 3- Peter will be _____, much as anyone can be restored when they've placed their own _____ in place of their King.