

RESTORED! EASTER 2020

Mark 14 & 16
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1. 14:27, 30 Two different forms of unfaithfulness: failing God (falling away) and denying God (walking away).
2. 14:72 Can you identify with the depth of Peter's pain? Have you ever failed in your relationship with God?
3. 14:72 Anytime we find ourselves in sinful behavior, we are all like Peter to some degree (Romans 3:23).
4. It is human nature to be oblivious to the things that can take us down. These are the very things at which Satan aims his arrows.
5. *Hebrews 12:2* Jesus considered the shame of the cross to be so minor that He did not bother to avoid it. He looked beyond the cross to the joy which was so much greater.
6. The single greatest gift God could possibly give humanity is the forgiveness of sin, because we all have sin. Without forgiveness, there is no reconciliation, no hope of Heaven.
7. 16:7 Peter's story actually tells of victory.
8. 16:7 Jesus made plans to see Peter again, even though he was dripping in failure.
9. 16:7 Even in your worst sin, the Lord is there to restore you...before you even know it.
10. From the dawn of history people have struggled to be worthy to stand before God. We do this instinctively, because we know we are not worthy. But Jesus is!
11. With every natural fiber of our beings, we want to earn God's salvation. But it has absolutely nothing to do with our capacity or religious activity (Ephesians 2:8-9). Salvation only comes when a person surrenders to Jesus and admits they have failed God.

12. *Romans 8:1* Your standing is not based on your feelings, but rather on who God says you are.
13. What does the Resurrection mean for you?
Because of Jesus, you can have complete forgiveness of your sins and therefore be restored to God. The resurrection is the proof that God accepted Jesus' death as payment for your sins.
14. You must believe in Jesus as your Savior and make Him Lord of your life.
15. Even though the events of the first Easter weekend involved betrayal and utter failure on the part of Jesus' closest friends, it did not end in destroyed and broken relationships, but rather in restoration.

GREEK WORDS

- Paradidōmi** (par-ad-id'-o-mee)—to surrender over, yield up, bring forth, commit, deliver (up), hazard, put in prison
- Skandalizō** (skan-dal-id'-zo)—[scandalize] to entrap, trip up - stumble or entice to sin :- offend
- Aparneomai** (ap-ar-neh'-om-ahee)—to deny utterly, disown, abstain :-
- Oikeios** (oy-ki'-os)—domesticate, [a relative], adherent :- (those) of his own house (-hold)
- Klaiō** (klah'-yo)—to sob, wail aloud

