

Problem:

-Read: Galatians 5:17; Romans 7:7-24

-What do these verses imply about the Christian life?

Text:

we commit to our plans (Matthew 26:30-35)

- How does Matthew 16:21-21 and 20:22 demonstrate the point of this section?

- Read Proverbs 16:1-5, 9 and James 4:13-16

-How are we like Peter and the disciples in our commitment to our plans rather than God's?

we give in to our desires (Matthew 26:36-46)

- God's desire is not always easy - 3 times Jesus was reminded He was all alone to face the prospect of becoming sin (2 Corinthians 5:21) a curse (Galatians 3:13) and being forsaken by the Father (Psalm 22; Matthew 27:46).

-This was the battle, the temptation to chose one will or another. How does Luke 4:13 make this point?

-How does Hebrews 5:7 show Jesus' reliance here?

- Based on Hebrews 12:2, whose will, whose joy, did He choose?

- How does this contrast with the disciples and Peter?

-How does 1 Corinthians 10:12-13 relate to us as well?

we respond in our strength (Matthew 26:47-56)

-How does Isaiah 31:1; Psalm 147:1-11 comment on Peter's actions with the sword?

-How does 1 Peter 2:23 contrast what Jesus was doing?

-How does 2 Corinthians 4:7-11 point out what we are to be doing?

we follow on our terms (Matthew 26:57-68)

-Peter was now following Jesus...on his own terms (like Judas, the religious leaders and the people).

-Read Numbers 13:1-2, 25-33; 14:1-4, 20-25, 39-45 and relate it to Peter here

- How does John 6:15 comment on this?

and we fail (Matthew 26:69-75)

-Jesus looked right at Peter here (Luke 22:61)

-This was a real failure on Peter's part (Matthew 10:33)

but He doesn't

The question is not **if** you are going to fail. You are.

1 Jn 1:5-10 -implication

The question is which way you will run when you do

Judas ran away - Matthew 27:5

Peter ran towards - John 21:1-7, 15-17

Main Idea:

The question is not **if** you are going to fail. You are. The question is which way you will run when you do.

discuss the following articles with a mind to how you will each specifically apply this sermon to your life - no matter what, application is the bottom line, the main point of this study. Be able to articulate precisely how you plan to change or respond based on this message. let this be the end game of every study you undertake. this is hard work - don't just re-teach the sermon but stand on what has been taught and go forward boldly into application.

<http://www.desiringgod.org/blog/posts/getting-real-with-personal-sin-interview-with-matt-chandler>

<http://www.gotquestions.org/forgive-same-sin.html>

http://www.jesus-is-savior.com/Books,%20Tracts%20&%20Preaching/Printed%20Books/Dr%20John%20Rice/Backslider/bs_05.htm

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<http://www.spurgeon.org/sermons/2452.htm>