



DIGGING DEEPER

Mt 26v69-27v10 – The Coward and the Culprit

PLEASE READ – Matthew 26v69 – 27v10

GETTING STARTED

When are you most aware of your guilt?

Should we feel guilty? (See James 2v10 and Rom 8v1)

1) THE DENIAL OF PETER (V69-75)

Walk through the different stages of Peter's denial, and if possible put yourself in his shoes. Can you understand why he did what he did?

Talk about the level of emotion in v75. Check out the parallel passage in Luke 22v60-62. What does that add?

Why did Peter do what he did? Note there are multiple reasons! See Mt 26v40-41...

2) THE DEMISE OF JUDAS (V3-5)

What's the difference between repentance, regret and remorse?

Why then wasn't Judas forgiven? How does this apply today?

3) THE DULLNESS OF THE CHIEF PRIESTS (V1-2 / V6-10)

What's so ridiculous about the behaviour of the chief priests in v6-8? What does it reveal about them?

Whose 'responsibility' was the death of Jesus? (see v1-2 and v5)

Why are the chief priests in such a dangerous place? How does this apply today?

Meditate on the words of Hebrews below...

Hebrews 9v22: ...without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness