

The Gospel of the King

The Denied King

Mark 14:26-31, 66-72

Context – The Cusp of Gethsemane

Jesus accurately prophesies what will take place ...

Peter arrogantly declares ...

“And they all said the same.”

After the betrayal in the garden, the arrest, and the first trial ...

I'd never _____ Jesus like _____.

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I'd never _____ and _____ Jesus like the _____.

But given enough pressure, dealing with enough distress, faced with enough pain, or perhaps even death, might I _____ Jesus like _____?

Consider Peter ...

If Peter _____, I should not think that I _____.

_____ is the means to not _____.

If I have _____, I should not fear anything – including death – in the future!

¹⁴ For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵ and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20

¹ If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Colossians 3:1-4

Then ...

_____ Him will be more fearful to me than _____. (Matthew 10:33,37-39,

_____ will be more desirable to me than _____. (2 Cor. 4:18)

_____ will be more valuable to me than _____. (Rev. 2:10)

And _____ will be more decisive to me than _____. (Heb. 13:6, Phil. 4:19, 1 Peter 4:14)

Response: Is Christ my life?