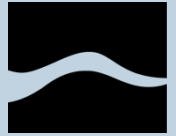


SERMON NOTES

TELL ME ABOUT HIS STEADFASTNESS

Mark 14:66-72



BIG IDEA: When our resolve fails, Jesus remains steadfast.

APPLICATION GUIDE

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

DISCUSS

What is something you were absolutely determined to do—or not do—but found your resolve disappearing once it became difficult or uncomfortable?

Sometimes we don't really know the strength of our resolve until it's tested. Peter was convinced that he would remain loyal to Jesus even if it cost him his life. Explore what happened when that resolve came under pressure—and at the steadfastness of Jesus when Peter failed.

EXPLORE

Read vv. 66–68. What makes Peter's first denial surprising, especially in light of what he had promised Jesus earlier that evening?

Compare Peter's interrogation in vv. 69–71 with Jesus' interrogation in vv. 60–65. What contrasts do you see between the way Peter and Jesus respond under pressure?

According to v. 72, what finally breaks through Peter's self-confidence? What does the fulfillment of Jesus' prediction reveal about both Peter and Jesus?

APPLY

When you are confronted with your own sin or failure, are you more likely to admit it or to evade, defend, minimize, or double down? Why?

In what situations are you most tempted to distance yourself from Jesus or hide your Christian convictions because being identified with him could be uncomfortable or costly?

Where are you currently depending too much on the strength of your own resolve? How would trusting the steadfastness of Christ change the way you face your weakness or failure?

COMMIT

This week, identify one sin or failure you have been minimizing, hiding, or defending. Confess it honestly to Christ, repent of it, and rest in his steadfast mercy.