JOHN 18:15-27 COUNT THE COST

THE COST OF CONNECTION

- Read John 18:15-18. What did Peter do right and what did Peter do wrong?
- Read Luke 22:31-34 and Mark 14:26-31. Peter made very bold statements, but clearly did not count the cost. What led to Peter's denial?
- We will be known by our associations. Why should Christian's prepare to count the cost when it comes to being connected to Christ?

THE COST OF CONVICTION

- Read John 18:19-24. Why was Jesus being questioned and what was wrong about this trial?
- Why, when Jesus spoke the truth, did the officer strike Him in the face?
- Christians will be persecuted for standing up for biblical convictions. What convictions must Christians take a stand for and why must Christians count the cost when it comes to contending for the truth?

THE COST OF CONFRONTATION

- Read John 18:25-27. Peter did exactly what Jesus said he would do when he was confronted about being a disciple of Jesus. How could Peter have better prepared for this, and what should His response have been?
- Read Luke 22:54-62 (give careful attention to vv. 61-62). When the rooster crowed and Jesus looked at Peter, what do you think Peter felt and why did he run away weeping?
- Read how Jesus restored Peter in John 21:15-19. Peter would learn to count the cost and think before he spoke. How does knowing that Jesus loves you in spite of your failures give you hope, and why must Christians count the cost when it comes to following Jesus?

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