



## **And Peter...**

**Main Scripture:** Mark 16:1-8

**Additional Scripture:** Mark 14:26-31, Mark 14:66-72,  
Ephesians 2:1-2, Colossians 3:1-3, Psalm 23:1-3

### **Hearing: Discussion Questions**

- **Read Mark 16:1-3.** The disciples were expecting death, not life. They were thinking burial, not resurrection. Where in your walk with Jesus do you have a hard time seeing life in that situation? If you are honest, where in your life is it hard to believe God in or believe God for? Why do you think that is?
  - How can you change that mentality from death and hopelessness to life and expectant hope?
- **Read Mark 16:7.** Peter deserved abandonment just like he abandoned Jesus, but instead what he received was scandalous grace. Where in your life have you seen or received scandalous grace? What was your response to it?
- We are so used to religion and karma where you get what you deserve. Where in your life is it easiest to fall into this karmic mindset? With your spouse? Roommates? Politics? Certain sins? Certain people groups?
  - Explore some of these areas and see where it is hard for you to give grace. Why do you think it is hard for you to show scandalous grace here?
- Pastor Mike said that “the resurrection is not a guilt trip, but a life trip.” What do you think he meant by this? How would you explain that to someone who is far from the Lord in a way that they would understand?
- We all know Peter’s denial, but even with that denial Jesus forgave, loved, and covered Peter with grace. Pastor Mike went on to ask the very blunt question, “What is *your* failure?” So what is your failure? Do you have a hard time receiving grace for this? Why or why not?
- “Your failure doesn’t disqualify you... Jesus qualifies you.” If this is true, how do our successes and failures play into our ability to be used by God? What role does Jesus play in all of this?

### **Doing: Application**

- Think and pray about a situation where you could but have not yet shown scandalous grace. This week, make it your goal to show undeserved grace in that situation!