

John: Jesus is the Christ # 49
(Preparing for Parting # 5)

John 13³⁶⁻³⁸

The danger of not knowing ourselves

Learning from Jesus's foretelling of Peter's denial



Children's talk: Why did the rooster crow?

Context

That's Peter for you! (Mark 14³¹)

The danger of not knowing ourselves

We think we are better than others (Mark 14²⁹)

We think we are better than we are (Luke 22³³)

We think we know better than Jesus (Mark 14³¹)

The danger of not knowing the gospel

No, I will lay down my life for You (John 13³⁷)

No, I will lay down My life for you (John 13³⁸)

The beauty of knowing the One who knows all

The One who knows the sifting of Satan (Luke 22³¹)

The One who knows us better than we know ourselves (John 13³⁸)

The One who knows the Father perfectly (Luke 22³²)

The One who knows the future infallibly (Mark 14³⁰)

Conclusion

That's Jesus for you!

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Questions answered

- Why does a rooster crow before daybreak?
- How would you describe Peter's personality?
- What in the text suggests that we should be applying this personally to ourselves?
- What in the text suggests that Peter thought he was better than the other disciples?
- What are two common default ways of thinking of ourselves in comparison to others? How can these tendencies manifest themselves? Where are these tendencies likely to lead us?
- What in the text suggests that Peter thought he was better than he was?
- When we are critical of another person's weakness, what are we often blind to ourselves?
- What was really helpful about the rooster? What would be an inappropriate way to respond to a rooster crow?
- What in the text suggests that Peter thought he knew better than Jesus?
- Whenever we are confronted by horrendous things happening, what do we need to remember about ourselves?
- What does the text suggest that there is a danger in not knowing the gospel? What do we need to be very careful that we do not get back-to-front?
- What does Jesus know about the sifting of Satan?
- How does Jesus's relationship with the Father help things here?
- What in the text suggests that Jesus knows the future infallibly?



Something to pray about (and follow through with)

- What has Jesus taught me about myself through this episode? What am I going to do with that knowledge now?

Picture Science
sciencemag.org/news/2018/01/how-roosters-protect-themselves-their-own-deafening-crows