

THE SABBATH CIRCLES HOME SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Unit Theme: Understanding Forgiveness

Today's Scripture: Mark 14:26-31; 66-72

Key Verse: "Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, 'Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' And he broke down and wept." Mark 14:72

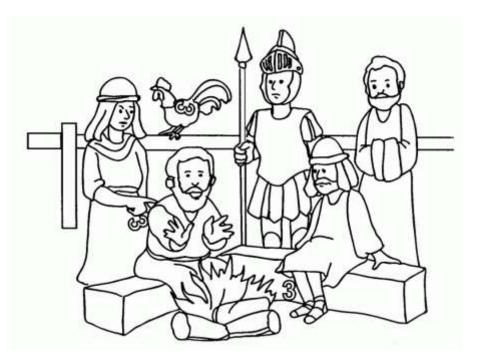
Questions to go deeper:

- This is a well-known story connected with the last days of Jesus' earthly life. Peter was Jesus' closest friend and thought he was a faithful disciple. What does Peter say to Jesus in verse 31? How does this contrast with the reality of verse 72?
- What do you think happened to Peter in that moment in the courtyard outside the place where Jesus was being held? Why did he act so differently than he thought he would?
- As Peter is weeping in realizing he had indeed denied Jesus, he was humbled when he realized Jesus was right about him in the end. When have you been humbled by an experience of realizing you did not react to a situation as you expected to, as you hoped you would? What happened?

Activity possibilities:

- Coloring picture about Lent on reverse side.
- Continue working on the "Lenten Fast" paper chain, using the instructions provided in the first week's lesson.
- Follow this link to find instructions on making a paper plate rooster to help you remember how a rooster humbled Peter before Jesus: https://www.freekidscrafts.com/paper-plate-rooster/

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Here is a great clip of the scene of Peter's denial of Jesus from a production of Jesus Christ Superstar. How does it capture the moment? Is it how you would stage it? Why or why not? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oiG2WeTPLiE

Remember, Rev. Ruth is always happy to answer your questions and help you find more information on anything in the Bible that interests you! Catch up with her through the church or come to the Savoy Bookstore and Café any Thursday afternoon between 2-4pm.