

# Life Group Discussion Guide

*FROM GLORY TO GLORY*  
Matthew 26:31-32  
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## INTRODUCTION

Peter had a BIG personality. We see time and time again where he was impulsive, bold, headstrong, and yet totally in love with Jesus. Peter was the first apostle to confess Jesus as the Messiah. He jumped out of the boat and walked on the water! Yes, he lived big, but he also sinned big. It was Peter who denied knowing Jesus three times just after Jesus was crucified. He came up short of all he claimed to be, but Jesus forgave Peter and used him to spread the word and build the early church over all the world.

## DISCUSSION STARTER

1. Stuart said, "There are some lists of things that we know or think we should know, but we may not know; ya know." In your mind, what are those lists? Can you name the Great Lakes or the major oceans in 10 seconds? How about the disciples or the Ten Commandments?
2. Have you ever made a bold statement about something you WERE going to do, but either fumbled it or didn't follow through? Tell the group about it. What happened?

## EVALUATE IT

1. Stuart said that all our connectedness with Jesus is represented in Matthew 26: Unknown Follower, a New Follower, a Scared Follower, a Distant Follower, a Follower until a better offer arrives or a bold follower. Which one are you? Explain.
2. Now that you've seen how those with the disciples conducted themselves on the night Jesus needed His friends the most, how would you address someone who uses the "I'm not good enough" response to following Jesus?
3. If Peter, the most audacious and bold disciple of the group, denied Jesus three times in one evening, what should we expect of ourselves? What can we expect of Jesus?
4. William Barclay wrote, "Jesus always saw beyond the cross. He was every bit as certain of the glory, as he was of the suffering." Stuart said, "He looked past the gory and on to the glory." What is Barclay and Stuart saying? What is the glory and what does it mean for us?

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

1. How does it make you feel to know that you will fail Christ at some point? How does it make you feel to know He will forgive you?
2. What have you learned from watching Peter fight for Jesus, make promises to Jesus, fail Jesus and be restored by Jesus?



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