LIFEgroups

Open

Go around and let everyone answer.

Share a time when something you thought you could rely on let you down.

DIG

Why does it feel especially bad when you feel like you've let someone down?

Read: Matthew 26.31-35

Just a few verses before, Jesus exposes Judas' plan to betray Him. Now he tells the other disciples that they will turn away too. Peter resists this prediction.

Why do you think Peter had such a hard time accepting Jesus' words?

Why do you think Peter couldn't see in himself what Jesus could?

What keeps us from sometimes seeing our potential for unfaithfulness?

Read: Matthew 26.69-75

Just as Jesus had said a few hours before, Peter denied following and even knowing Jesus.

What do you think it was like for Peter to hear the rooster and remember Jesus' words?

APPLY

In the end, Peter's story doesn't end with his denial. He accepts Jesus forgiveness and mission for his life.

How has Jesus helped you overcome the times you felt like you let him down?

Close with a time of prayer.

Leader Notes

About This Guide

This week's guide comes the current lesson in a series from the Gospel of Matthew. This series focuses on Matthew's message of establishing that Jesus is King over all.

Big Idea

Most people can relate to the feeling of letting someone down and even feeling like we let God down. But what at the hidden factors that cause us to sometimes loose our way?

Reaching Out

Our LIFE Groups are a great place to pour out the love we share into the lives of others. We can't keep this love and community to ourselves. Who do you know that might benefit from being part of your group? Share those names, pray for them, and ask God to give you the courage to talk to them about visiting your group.

