

NOTES:

Peter's name means "Rock." He shows what the rocky soil is like from Jesus's parable in Mark 4.

"When trouble or persecution arises on account of the world, immediately they fall away." (Mark 4:17)

Peter's two confessions in Mark:

1. "You are the Messiah" Mark 8:29
2. "I don't know or understand." Mark 14:68

Disciples Fall Away

1. Failure to follow through with Jesus.
2. Thinking they know it all.

The moment we think we understand everything about Jesus is the time we need him the most. If we could figure everything out about Jesus Christ, then we wouldn't need a Savior.

Peter Returns

1. Jesus breaks the rocks.
2. Peter remembers Jesus.
3. Peter shows remorse. Peter's contrition actually begins his restoration.

When We Deny Jesus

1. Remember Jesus.
2. Take pity on yourself and the rocky people of life. By taking pity on others, we're giving to them the grace that Jesus has shown to us.
3. Express remorse.