

## Sermon Notes

### *Insights from Luke*

#93 – “Restoring After Failing” – Luke 22:54-62

#### I. Introduction

##### A. Dealing with pride

1. It's arrogance, egotism, conceit and self-importance.
2. The antonym of pride is h\_\_\_\_\_.

##### B. Scriptures on Pride

1. Prov. 6:16-17; 11:2; 16:5; 21:4; 29:23; Gal. 6:3; James 4:6; Phil. 2:3; I John 2:16; Rom. 12:3

##### C. Scriptures on Humility

1. Luke 14:11; I Peter 5:6; Matt. 23:12; Col. 3:12

##### D. God's call to us is one of lowliness.

1. Attained particularly when we are humiliated.

##### E. Peter and the University of Hard Knocks on pride.

1. A devastating blow.
2. God tears us down in order to build us up.
3. Today's text – Luke 22:54-62
  - a. Jesus prophesied the denial.

#### II. Exposition

##### A. Luke 22:54

1. Three phases to Jesus' trial before the Sanhedrin.
  - a. Annas – two; Caiaphas – one.
    1. MacArthur

##### B. Luke 22:55

1. Previous scattering of the disciples.
  1. Zechariah 13:7; Mark 14:27

2. Peter and the other disciple in the courtyard – John 18:15-16
3. Peter's desire – What would happen to Jesus? – Mt. 26:58

##### C. Luke 22:56-60

1. Luke's version of the denial is compacted when compared to the other gospel writers.
2. First denial – “I do not know Him.”
3. Second denial – “Man, I am not one of them.”
4. Third denial – “I do not know what you are talking about!”
  - a. He adds cursing – Matthew 26:74

##### D. Luke 22:61

1. The devastating gaze.
2. Coram Deo

##### E. Luke 22:62

1. “Wept bitterly” – intense emotion
  - a. Contrition evolving into repentance.
  - b. Ray Summers

#### III. Points for Reflection

##### A. Telltale signs of a fall in the making.

1. Luke 22:33-34; 44-46; Prov. 16:18;

##### B. Thinking about Peter's failure helps us to see ourselves properly.

1. The true test of faith is when pressure is exerted against it.
2. God has a plan to restore us in place **before** we actually fall.
3. Repentance is profoundly different than being sorry.

##### C. Peter's restoration reminds us that God has a plan for each one of us who have spiritually failed.