



King of Kings #4

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Matthew 26

1. Ron began his sermon by discussing failures. One of his main points was that sometimes God uses our failures for good.

**How have you seen God turn a failure of yours into something good?

**Do you think that every failure can be turned into something good?

For more discussion: Ron said, “Trusting God may require us to lean into our failure in order to see his plans unfold.” Sometimes, when *our* plans don’t work out, we miss God’s plans because we were so focused on ours.

**Did you ever have your own dream or desire that didn’t come to pass, but you discovered that the alternative was better?

2. Preview question before you answer the next question:

**When you sin, what do you imagine God thinks about you?

The real question: Luke 22:54-62 is one of the passages that discusses Peter’s denial of Jesus. In Luke 22:61, Jesus turned and looked at Peter after Peter had denied him the third time.

**What do you imagine Jesus’ look being like? Did it convey sadness, disappointment, condemnation, etc?

**How does your preconception of how God thinks about you when you sin color what you think Jesus’ look was like?

For more discussion: Ron concluded by discussing how God takes us from a place of brokenness to a place of wholeness. On a scale of 1-100, where 1 is far and 100 is close to Jesus, it doesn’t matter where we are, Jesus covers the distance to make us 100.

**Do you identify yourself as a sinner or a saint, and which do you think is Biblically correct?

For even more discussion: Read the following passages in the ESV translation: Romans 1:7, 1 Cor. 1:2, 2 Cor. 2:1, Eph. 1:1, Col. 1:2, and Phil. 1:1.

**What does Paul call all of the members of the churches - sinners or saints?

**Should you identify yourself as a sinner or a saint?