

Peter had \_\_\_\_\_ not to forsake Jesus, but then something happened he hadn't planned on, he was \_\_\_\_\_.

## THE LIMITS OF LOVE AND HATE

Mark 14:53-72

### Introduction:

How could anyone \_\_\_\_\_ three times, in the course of an hour or so, the one they \_\_\_\_\_ more than life itself?

In our text for today Mark sets two \_\_\_\_\_ before going back to explore them and to \_\_\_\_\_ them.

We tend to think love can \_\_\_\_\_ all, but we have to admit we've seen love \_\_\_\_\_ time and time again.

Mark 14:53-54

Mark doesn't record for us Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ before Annas.

What's wrong with our love? The problem is it's \_\_\_\_\_ love.

It was to Caiaphas' home that we here see Jesus taken as a \_\_\_\_\_ in the middle of the night.

When love peters out we need to \_\_\_\_\_ like Peter, and then let the resurrected Lord re-assure us of \_\_\_\_\_ love, and empower us with \_\_\_\_\_ love.

### I. WHEN HATE BOILS OVER

Mark 14:55-59

When your love is pushed to its \_\_\_\_\_ don't give up, just go back to the source of \_\_\_\_\_ love.

This trial was clearly a \_\_\_\_\_.

The priests had decided to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus long before the trial was convened.

The trial was also \_\_\_\_\_.

They had the best \_\_\_\_\_ money could buy, but they couldn't get their stories straight.

So the \_\_\_\_\_ took matters into his own hands.

Mark 14:60-65

Jesus knew better than to try to \_\_\_\_\_ Himself before a hostile crowd.

When put under \_\_\_\_\_ and asked if He was the Son of God, Jesus said, "Yes, \_\_\_\_\_."

He also added that the day was coming when the high priest would see Jesus coming in the \_\_\_\_\_ to sit in \_\_\_\_\_ over him.

He could now accuse Jesus of \_\_\_\_\_, and blasphemy was a \_\_\_\_\_ offense.

At that point their \_\_\_\_\_ boiled over, it could no longer be concealed behind the façade of a trial.

The Sanhedrin became a \_\_\_\_\_ of savage animals, \_\_\_\_\_ and taunting the Son of God.

Hatred is an \_\_\_\_\_ thing, but there are times when \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't look much better.

## II. WHEN LOVE PETERS OUT

Mark 14:66-72

No one can deny \_\_\_\_\_ love for Jesus.

The others didn't deny Him because they were too \_\_\_\_\_ to even be there.