LifeGroup Discussion Questions

"You Can't Have Jesus without the Cross"

This set of questions is based on Patrick's sermon preached April 26.

1. Take a mental inventory of your prayers. What do they reveal that you most desire to receive from Jesus? How well do your own prayer priorities match Jesus' desires for you as demonstrated on the Cross?

2. Peter could not imagine ever disowning Jesus, but under the right (wrong) circumstances he did! When Jesus was arrested, Peter was ready to fight (John 18:10), but later that night he swore he did not know Jesus (Mark 14:66–72). Why do you think it was harder for Peter to stand up for Jesus in the second case? In what situation do you think you would be most vulnerable to denying the Lord?

3. For you, which of these options most accurately completes the following sentence?

   The Cross is difficult to accept because. . .

   d. it implies I am weak and need Someone else to rescue me.

   e. it leads to rejection and persecution.

   f. it demands life changes I don't want to make.