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Sermon Questions for your Small Group/LifeGroup to think on...

Sermon Outline: **Acts 10:1-37, John 11, John 21**

Sermon Points:

- 1. Three Denials: A Rooster to Wake Us**
 - a. **We are not as strong as we think we are.**
 - b. **We tend toward being hunkered down and making sure our own kingdoms are safe and protected.**
- 2. Three Affirmations: A Savior to Call Us Back**
 - a. **We are never as discarded as we may fear.**
- 3. Three Visions: A Message to Be Revealed to Us**
 - a. **We have seen as much as God wants to do.**
- 4. It's in the fourth quarter that heroes are made and stories are told.**
 - a. **How you end can cover how you began.**
 - b. **How you begin never overshadows how you finish.**

Questions:

1. What stuck out to you from this weekend's message?
2. Have you ever had a moment of realized failure? When did you realize it was going to blow up in your face? What was the take-away from that event?
3. The draw to self-preservation is strong, especially when things around us are seemingly out of control. How have you see people self-preserving themselves during the pandemic? Were these things appropriate? What things were left out?
4. Why are past sins so hard to forgive... yourself of? How have you had success in relinquishing sin's guilt, shame and control?
5. Restoration sets the stage for the future of God's work in your life. How have you seen freedom and spiritual healing open doors for new opportunities?
6. Pastor BJ mentioned that God used a series of three visions, three guys, then repeated the account of Acts 10 in at least three settings. Why was this moment so pivotal and exciting in the life of the Church? How much do you think they understood about this vision before God made it clear that He was bringing in multitudes of Gentile believers too?
7. What is your favorite fourth quarter finish, whether sports, or anything else? Do you still remember how it started?
8. What is it about the finish that draws so much significance?
9. How have you done this year in 2020 with Jesus? What are some areas you hope to finish strong this year, even if you started slow or weakly?
10. Several missional opportunities were presented to the church. Toward which ones are you sensing God leadership and draw?