



## **Message Outline**

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John 18:15-18, 25-27

# **The Third Lap**

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## **What is the third lap? The place where we...**

... are out of energy \_\_\_\_\_.

... can't see the finish line \_\_\_\_\_.

... still have a significant way to go \_\_\_\_\_.

**Spiritually, the third lap is the place where we are tempted to deny Jesus \_\_\_\_\_.**

## **Ways we are tempted to deny Jesus:**

that we belong to His Church \_\_\_\_\_

John 18:15-18

that we are His disciples \_\_\_\_\_

John 18:25

that we were with Jesus \_\_\_\_\_

John 18:26-27

## **How do we train for our third lap?**

John 21:15-17



## **HomeGroup Questions**

Winter Session 2018

### **The Third Lap**

*John 18:15-18, 25-27*

1. Did you ever play a competitive sport in some capacity? What was the hardest part of that sport for you, and how did you train for it?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Reread Peter's story from John 18, starting in verse 1. Do Peter's actions in the Garden of Gethsemane shape or inform how we read of his denial of Jesus later? If so, how?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Recap from the sermon: what did Ryan say characterizes the "third lap"? What about the third lap do you resonate with; what has been your experience spiritually?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Where and when do you find it most uncomfortable to identify as:
  - a. part of Jesus' Church?
  - b. following after Jesus?
  - c. having an ongoing relationship with Jesus?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Ryan suggested that the remedy to our denial of Jesus, the way to train for those difficult spiritual moments, is service. How have you been uniquely equipped for service? What could you do more or differently to serve those around you?

*Share prayer requests with your HomeGroup, and pray for each other.*