# Accentuating the Accent

Matthew 26:69-75

A little later some of the other bystanders came over to Peter and said, "You must be one of them; we can tell by your Galilean accent."

- Matthew 26:73

#### Peter's <u>accent</u> gave him away as a follower of Jesus...

### accent [ak-sent]

A mode of pronunciation, as pitch or tone, emphasis pattern, or intonation, characteristic of or peculiar to the speech of a particular person, group, or locality.

## As a follower of Jesus we should have undeniable characteristics that make us stand out in this world.

"The world would love you as one of its own if you belonged to it, but you are no longer part of the world. I chose you to come out of the world, so it hates you."

- John 15:19

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

- Romans 12:2

## undeniable characteristics

## "do what is right"

I no longer count on my own righteousness through obeying the law; rather, I become righteous through faith in Christ. For God's way of making us right with himself depends on faith.

- Philippians 3:9

#### <u>undeniable</u> <u>characteristics</u>

"love mercy"

There will be no mercy for those who have not shown mercy to others. But if you have been merciful, God will be merciful when he judges you.

- James 2:13

## undeniable characteristics "walk humbly with your God" So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time he will lift you up in honor. Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.

- 1 Peter 5:6-7

## Micah 6:6-8 We should focus on accentuating the accent, making it undeniable in/to this world that we are Christ-Followers...

"you must be one of them"

"So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."

- John 13:34-35

