

**“The Peter Principles”**  
*Learning to follow Jesus*

Part 6: **“When the Rooster Crows”**  
*The pain of following Jesus*

**Matthew 26:31-35**

*Then Jesus told them, “This very night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written:*

*“I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.’ But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee.”*

*Peter replied, “Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will.”*

*“I tell you the truth,” Jesus answered, “this very night, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times.”*

*But Peter declared, “Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you.” And all the other disciples said the same.*

I. A promise \_\_\_\_\_

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II. A promise \_\_\_\_\_

**Luke 22:54-62**

*Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. But when they had kindled a fire in the*

*middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, “This man was with him.”*

*But he denied it. “Woman, I don’t know him,” he said.*

*A little time later someone else saw him and said, “You also are one of them.”*

*“Man, I am not!” Peter replied.*

*About an hour later another asserted, “Certainly this fellow was with him for he is a Galilean.”*

*Peter replied, “Man, I don’t know what you are talking about!” Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: “Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times.” And he went outside and wept bitterly.*

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III. A promise \_\_\_\_\_

**Luke 22:31-32**

*“Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.”*

• A promise to \_\_\_\_\_

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