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Today's Scripture Passage: Luke 22: 54-62

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54 Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. 55 But when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. 56 A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him." 57 But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said. 58 A little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them." "Man, I am not!" Peter replied. 59 About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean." 60 Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. 61 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." 62 And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Questions for Reflection & Discussion

- 1. How do you prepare yourself for the inevitable temptations that come to disconnect you from Jesus?
- 2. Can you think of a time when you had the chance to acknowledge the Lord and what He means to you, but you did not?
- 3. Have you ever "disowned" the Lord outright with your words?
- 4. Are you living in such a way that others can see what the Lord means to you?
- 5. Is there a specific way that the Lord wants you to "own up to Him?"

Prayer Prompts:

- Lead me not into temptation; prepare me for the onslaughts of the enemy.
- Lord, help me to talk about the difference you are making in my life and help me to walk in such a way that people can see the difference.
- May I learn from my mistakes by turning to You to receive the forgiveness You offer.
- Let me share with others in tenderness how they too can receive Your love and forgiveness.