

PETER'S FALL AND RISE

I. Why Did Peter Fall?

Luke 22:31-34, 54-62; Mark 14:27-31, 66-72

I. Supper: **Not _____ !**

A. Corrects Jesus! (Lk 22:33; Mk 14:31)

B. Sees himself superior to the others (Mk 14:29)

II. Gethsemane: **Not _____ !**

Luke 22:45-6

Not only did not pray for himself, but failed

Jesus as a friend (Matt 26:36-46, esp 37-38, 40, 43, 45)

Contrast sinless Jesus Who prays 3 times for strength!

III. Arrest: **Not _____ !**

First the sword (give him that!) (Jn 18:10)

Then the flight (Mt 26:56)

Contrast Jesus Who protects them and secures their release! (Jn 18:8-9)

IV. Courtyard: **Not _____ !**

Refused to acknowledge that he even knew Jesus. Saying I care nothing for that man—3 different occasions!

Even calls down curses on himself if he is lying!

Terrible ordeal brought to a halt by 2 things at once:

1. Hears rooster crow: remembers Jesus' prophetic warning (Luke 22:60, 61b)
2. Jesus is led past and **looks at him—
with infinite sadness—and love** (Luke 22:61)

**The spell is broken and Peter repents with
a broken heart (Luke 22:62) but vastly
greater appreciation of the grace of Christ**

You?