ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Molding of Peter

Peter's Denials



Luke Ch.22 (Verses 31 through 34, NIV):

- 31: "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat.
- 32: But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."
- 33: But he replied, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death."
- 34: Jesus answered, "I tell you, Peter, before the rooster crows today, you will deny three times that you know me."

Matthew Ch.26 (Verse 33, NIV):

33: Peter replied, "Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will."

"Desperate Courage":

"Lord, should we strike with our swords?"



Luke Ch.22 (Verses 59 through 62, NIV):

- 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.

Thoughts of Application:

- *Our denials and defections, they may surprise us, <u>but they</u> <u>never surprise Jesus.</u>
 - -Isn't it comforting that Satan could do nothing without God's permission?
 - -Isn't it comforting that Jesus prayed for Simon, even before he failed?

*Jesus' approach to us is never changed by our denials.