

**“FAITH: THE CONVICTION OF THINGS UNSEEN”**

**PART 14:**

**“FAITH, FAILURE AND FORGIVENESS”**

**“Failure Isn’t Final: The Night the Rock Turned to Sand”**

**(Mark 16:7; Luke 22:31, 32; 1 Peter 5:6-10)**

**INTRODUCTION:**

*“But go, tell His disciples AND Peter...”*

—Mark 16:7

*“Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has demanded permission to sift you like wheat; but I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”*

—Luke 22:31, 32

**1A. PETER, YOU HAVE AN \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has demanded permission to sift you like wheat...”*

**2A. PETER, YOU HAVE AN \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“...but I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail...”*

*“My little children, I am writing these things to you that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous;...”  
(1 John 2:1)*

**3A. PETER, YOU HAVE AN \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“...and you, when once you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”*

# THE CRUCIBLE: THE \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ OF PETER:

– A Tragic but Transforming Night (Matthew 26:31-58, 69-75)

## WHAT PETER LEARNED:

*“Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time, casting all your anxiety upon Him, because He cares for you. Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. But resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you.”*

—1 Peter 5:6-10

1. He learned the lesson of \_\_\_\_\_.

- The first step to spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ is the humble acknowledgement of one's own spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

2. He learned the lesson of \_\_\_\_\_.

- There is no real \_\_\_\_\_ without \_\_\_\_\_.

3. He learned the lesson of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A true disciple must not desert, deny or disown Christ, but must rather \_\_\_\_\_.

4. He learned the lesson of \_\_\_\_\_.

- • No matter how tragic our \_\_\_\_\_ or devastating our \_\_\_\_\_, the Lord is a master at restoring \_\_\_\_\_ disciples.

## CONCLUSION: