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## Getting Back Up When You Stumble



<sup>30</sup>And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.



<sup>31</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'



<sup>32</sup>But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."



<sup>33</sup>Peter answered him, "Though they all fall away because of you, I will never fall away."



<sup>34</sup>Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times."



<sup>35</sup>Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you!" And all the disciples said the same.



<sup>69</sup>Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came up to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean."



<sup>70</sup>But he denied it before them all, saying, "I do not know what you mean."



<sup>71</sup>And when he went out to the entrance, another servant girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth."



<sup>72</sup>And again he denied it with an oath: "I do not know the man."



<sup>73</sup>After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you too are one of them, for your accent betrays you."



74Then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know the man." And immediately the rooster crowed.



<sup>75</sup>And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.



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# Two Ways of Thinking that Often Lead to Stumbling



1: Thinking I Am Spiritually Stronger Than I Am (Matt. 26:33-35)



#### 1 Corinthians 10:12-13 (ESV)

<sup>12</sup>Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.



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<sup>13</sup>No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.



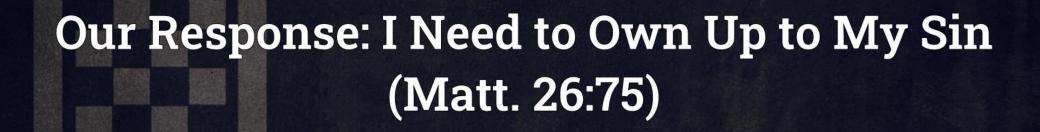
2: Thinking Too Much of What Others
Think of Me (Matt. 26:70-73)



## Proverbs 29:25 (ESV)

<sup>25</sup>The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the LORD is safe.



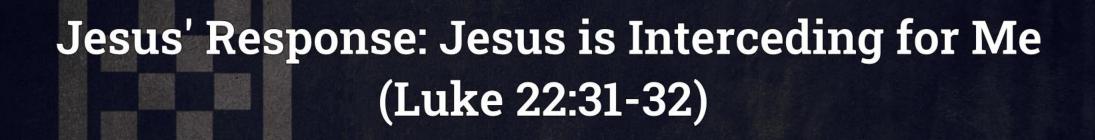




# Psalm 51:17 (ESV)

<sup>17</sup>The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.







## Luke 22:31-32 (ESV)

<sup>31</sup>"Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat,



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<sup>32</sup>but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers."



## Hebrews 7:25 (ESV)

<sup>25</sup>Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.



Jesus' Response: Jesus is Merciful to Me (Mark 16:4-7; John 21:9-14)



<sup>4</sup>And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back— it was very large.



<sup>5</sup>And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed.



<sup>6</sup>And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him.



<sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."



<sup>9</sup>When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread.



<sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught."



<sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn.



<sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord.



<sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish.



<sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.



Lamentations 3:22-23 (ESV)

<sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end;



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<sup>23</sup>they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.



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