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Scripture Reading

Matt 26:31-36 (NASU)

³¹ Then Jesus *said to them, "You will all ¹fall away because of Me this night, for it is written, '^bI WILL STRIKE DOWN THE SHEPHERD, AND THE SHEEP OF THE FLOCK SHALL BE ^cSCATTERED.'

³² "But after I have been raised, ^aI will go ahead of you to Galilee."

³³ But Peter said to Him, "*Even* though all may ¹fall away because of You, I will never fall away."

³⁴ Jesus said to him, "^aTruly I say to you that ^bthis *very* night, before a rooster crows, you will deny Me three times."

³⁵ Peter *said to Him, "^aEven if I have to die with You, I will not deny You." All the disciples said the same thing too.

The Garden of Gethsemane

³⁶ ^aThen Jesus *came with them to a place called ^bGethsemane, and *said to His disciples, "*Sit here while I go over there and pray.*"

Matt 26:31-36 (NIV)

³¹ Then Jesus told them, "This very night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written:

"I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'^c

³² But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee."

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

³⁴ "I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "this very night, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times."

³⁵ But Peter declared, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you." And all the other disciples said the same.

³⁶ Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, "*Sit here while I go over there and pray.*"

Matt 26:31-36 (NLT)

³¹ On the way, Jesus told them, "Tonight all of you will desert me. For the Scriptures say,

'God will strike* the Shepherd,
and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'

³² But after I have been raised from the dead, I will go ahead of you to Galilee and meet you there."

³³ Peter declared, "Even if everyone else deserts you, I will never desert you."

³⁴ Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, Peter—this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny three times that you even know me."

³⁵ "No!" Peter insisted. "Even if I have to die with you, I will never deny you!" And all the other disciples vowed the same.

³⁶ Then Jesus went with them to the olive grove called Gethsemane, and he said, "Sit here while I go over there to pray."

Matt 26:51-56 (NASU)

⁵¹ And behold, ^aone of those who were with Jesus ¹reached and drew out his ^bsword, and struck the ^aslave of the high priest and ²cut off his ear.

⁵² Then Jesus ^{*}said to him, "Put your sword back into its place; for ^aall those who take up the sword shall perish by the sword.

⁵³ "Or do you think that I cannot appeal to My Father, and He will at once put at My disposal more than twelve ^{1a}legions of ^bangels?

⁵⁴ "How then will ^athe Scriptures be fulfilled, *which say* that it must happen this way?"

⁵⁵ At that time Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest Me as *you would* against a robber? ^aEvery day I used to sit in the temple teaching and you did not seize Me.

⁵⁶ "But all this has taken place to fulfill ^athe Scriptures of the prophets." Then all the disciples left Him and fled.

Matt 26:51-56 (NIV)

⁵¹ With that, one of Jesus' companions reached for his sword, drew it out and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

⁵² "Put your sword back in its place," Jesus said to him, "for all who draw the sword will die by the sword. ⁵³ Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels? ⁵⁴ But how then would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen in this way?"

⁵⁵ At that time Jesus said to the crowd, "Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? Every day I sat in the temple courts teaching, and you did not arrest me.

⁵⁶ But this has all taken place that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Matt 26:51-56 (NLT)

⁵¹ But one of the men with Jesus pulled out his sword and struck the high priest's slave, slashing off his ear.

⁵² "Put away your sword," Jesus told him. "Those who use the sword will die by the sword. ⁵³ Don't you realize that I could ask my Father for thousands* of angels to protect us, and he would send them instantly? ⁵⁴ But if I did, how would the Scriptures be fulfilled that describe what must happen now?"

⁵⁵ Then Jesus said to the crowd, "Am I some dangerous revolutionary, that you come with swords and clubs to arrest me? Why didn't you arrest me in the Temple? I was there teaching every day.

⁵⁶ But this is all happening to fulfill the words of the prophets as recorded in the Scriptures." At that point, all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Matt 26:69-75 (NASU)

⁶⁹ ^aNow Peter was sitting outside in the ^bcourtyard, and a servant-girl came to him and said, "You too were with Jesus the Galilean."

⁷⁰ But he denied *it* before them all, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about."

⁷¹ When he had gone out to the gateway, another *servant-girl* saw him and ^{*}said to those who were there, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth."

⁷² And again he denied *it* with an oath, "I do not know the man."

⁷³ A little later the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Surely you too are *one* of them; ^afor even the way you talk ¹gives you away."

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

⁷⁵ And Peter remembered the word which Jesus had said, "**aBefore a rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.**" And he went out and wept bitterly.

Matt 26:69-75 (NIV)

⁶⁹ Now Peter was sitting out in the courtyard, and a servant girl came to him. "You also were with Jesus of Galilee," she said.

⁷⁰ But he denied it before them all. "I don't know what you're talking about," he said.

⁷¹ Then he went out to the gateway, where another girl saw him and said to the people there, "This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth."

⁷² He denied it again, with an oath: "I don't know the man!"

⁷³ After a little while, those standing there went up to Peter and said, "Surely you are one of them, for your accent gives you away."

⁷⁴ Then he began to call down curses on himself and he swore to them, "I don't know the man!"

Immediately a rooster crowed.

⁷⁵ Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken: "**Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times.**" And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Matt 26:69-75 (NLT)

⁶⁹ Meanwhile, Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant girl came over and said to him, "You were one of those with Jesus the Galilean."

⁷⁰ But Peter denied it in front of everyone. "I don't know what you're talking about," he said.

⁷¹ Later, out by the gate, another servant girl noticed him and said to those standing around, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.*"

⁷² Again Peter denied it, this time with an oath. "I don't even know the man," he said.

⁷³ A little later some of the other bystanders came over to Peter and said, "You must be one of them; we can tell by your Galilean accent."

⁷⁴ Peter swore, "A curse on me if I'm lying—I don't know the man!" And immediately the rooster crowed.

⁷⁵ Suddenly, Jesus' words flashed through Peter's mind: "Before the rooster crows, you will deny three times that you even know me." And he went away, weeping bitterly.

Luke 23:44-49 (NASU)

⁴⁴ ^aIt was now about ^{1b}the sixth hour, and darkness ²fell over the whole land until ³the ninth hour,

⁴⁵ ¹because the sun was obscured; and ^athe veil of the temple was torn ²in two.

⁴⁶ And Jesus, ^acrying out with a loud voice, said, "Father, ^b*INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMIT MY SPIRIT.*" Having said this, He breathed His last.

⁴⁷ ^aNow when the centurion saw what had happened, he *began* ^bpraising God, saying, "Certainly this man was ¹innocent."

⁴⁸ And all the crowds who came together for this spectacle, when they observed what had happened, *began* to return, ^{1a}beating their breasts.

⁴⁹ ^aAnd all His acquaintances and ^athe women who accompanied Him from Galilee were standing at a distance, seeing these things.

Luke 23:44-49 (NIV)

⁴⁴ It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour,

⁴⁵ for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two.

⁴⁶ Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last.

⁴⁷ The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, "Surely this was a righteous man."

⁴⁸ When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they beat their breasts and went away.

⁴⁹ But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Luke 23:44-49 (NLT)

⁴⁴ By this time it was noon, and darkness fell across the whole land until three o'clock.

⁴⁵ The light from the sun was gone. And suddenly, the curtain in the sanctuary of the Temple was torn down the middle.

⁴⁶ Then Jesus shouted, "Father, I entrust my spirit into your hands!"* And with those words he breathed his last.

⁴⁷ When the Roman officer* overseeing the execution saw what had happened, he worshiped God and said, "Surely this man was innocent.*"

⁴⁸ And when all the crowd that came to see the crucifixion saw what had happened, they went home in deep sorrow.*

⁴⁹ But Jesus' friends, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance watching.

John 20:1-10 (NASU)

20 ^aNow on the first *day* of the week ^bMary Magdalene ^{*}came early to the tomb, while it ^{*}was still dark, and ^{*}saw ^cthe stone *already* taken away from the tomb.

² So she ^{*}ran and ^{*}came to Simon Peter and to the other ^adisciple whom Jesus loved, and ^{*}said to them, "^bThey have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him."

³ ^aSo Peter and the other disciple went forth, and they were going to the tomb.

⁴ The two were running together; and the other disciple ran ahead faster than Peter and came to the tomb first;

⁵ and ^astooping and looking in, he ^{*}saw the ^blinen wrappings lying *there*; but he did not go in.

⁶ And so Simon Peter also ^{*}came, following him, and entered the tomb; and he ^{*}saw the linen wrappings lying *there*,

⁷ and ^athe face-cloth which had been on His head, not lying with the ^blinen wrappings, but rolled up in a place by itself.

⁸ So the other disciple who ^ahad first come to the tomb then also entered, and he saw and believed.

⁹ For as yet ^athey did not understand the Scripture, ^bthat He must rise again from the dead.

¹⁰ So the disciples went away again ^ato their own homes.

John 20:1-11 (NIV)

20 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance.

² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb.

⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in.

⁶ Then Simon Peter, who was behind him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there,

⁷ as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen.

⁸ Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed.

⁹ (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)

¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to their homes, ¹

John 20:1-10 (NLT)

20 Early on Sunday morning, ^{*} while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance.

² She ran and found Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved. She said, "They have taken the Lord's body out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

³ Peter and the other disciple started out for the tomb.

⁴ They were both running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

⁵ He stooped and looked in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he didn't go in.

⁶ Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He also noticed the linen wrappings lying there,

⁷ while the cloth that had covered Jesus' head was folded up and lying apart from the other wrappings.

⁸ Then the disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in, and he saw and believed—

⁹ for until then they still hadn't understood the Scriptures that said Jesus must rise from the dead.

¹⁰ Then they went home.

1 Cor 15:1-7 (NASU)

15 Now ^aI make known to you, brethren, the ^bgospel which I preached to you, which also you received, ^cin which also you stand,

² by which also you are saved, ^aif you hold fast ¹the word which I preached to you, ^bunless you believed in vain.

³ For ^aI delivered to you ¹as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died ^bfor our sins ^caccording to the Scriptures,

⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was ^araised on the third day ^baccording to the Scriptures,

⁵ and that ^aHe appeared to ^bCephas, then ^cto the twelve.

⁶ After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some ^ahave fallen asleep;

⁷ then He appeared to ^{1a}James, then to ^ball the apostles;

1 Cor 15:1-7 (NIV)

15 Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand.

² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: ^a that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,

⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,

⁵ and that he appeared to Peter, ^b and then to the Twelve.

⁶ After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.

⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles,

1 Cor 15:1-7 (NLT)

15 Let me now remind you, dear brothers and sisters, ^{*} of the Good News I preached to you before. You welcomed it then, and you still stand firm in it.

² It is this Good News that saves you if you continue to believe the message I told you—unless, of course, you believed something that was never true in the first place. ^{*}

³ I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said.

⁴ He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said.

⁵ He was seen by Peter* and then by the Twelve.

⁶ After that, he was seen by more than 500 of his followers* at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.

⁷ Then he was seen by James and later by all the apostles.

John 18:10 (NASU)

¹⁰ Simon Peter then, ^ahaving a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear; and the slave's name was Malchus.

John 18:10 (NIV)

¹⁰ Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.)

John 18:10-11 (NLT)

¹⁰ Then Simon Peter drew a sword and slashed off the right ear of Malchus, the high priest's slave.

Luke 22:61 (NASU)

⁶¹ ^aThe Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had told him, "^bBefore a rooster crows today, you will deny Me three times."

Luke 22:61 (NIV)

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."

Luke 22:61 (NLT)

⁶¹ At that moment the Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered that the Lord had said, "Before the rooster crows tomorrow morning, you will deny three times that you even know me."