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<sup>69</sup> 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.”

<sup>70</sup> But Peter denied it in front of everyone. “I don’t know what you’re talking about,” he said.

<sup>71</sup> Later, out by the gate, another servant girl noticed him and said to those standing around, “This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.”

<sup>72</sup> Again Peter denied it, this time with an oath. “I don’t even know the man,” he said.

Matthew 26:69-75 NLT

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<sup>73</sup> 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.”

<sup>74</sup> Peter swore, “A curse on me if I’m lying—I don’t know the man!” And immediately the rooster crowed.

<sup>75</sup> 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.

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