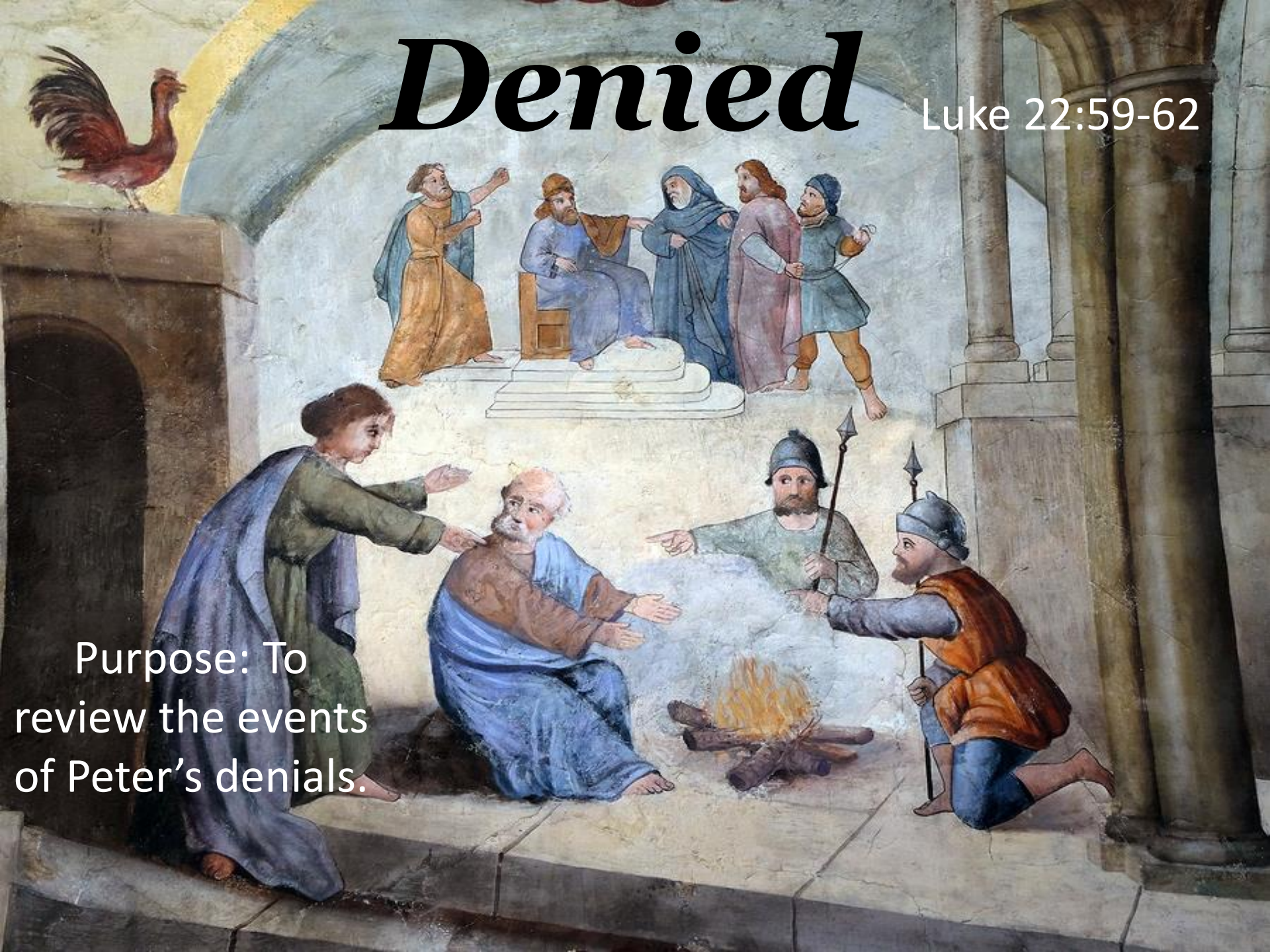


# *Denied*

Luke 22:59-62



Purpose: To  
review the events  
of Peter's denials.

# BOASTING AND THE PREDICTED DENIALS

- Would you ever deny following Jesus?
- Matt. 26:31-35; Mark 14:27-31;  
Luke 22:31-34; John 13:36-38.
- Peter is sure that he would rather die than deny Jesus. The others said so also.
- Can we sometimes see a downfall or shortcoming in the faith of others? Do they sometimes deny it? Watch pride.

# A RECIPE FOR FAILURE

- Peter boasted too loudly. Matt. 26:35. Also, Prov. 16:18. Pride and destruction go together.
- Peter prayed too little and slept too much. Matt. 26:38-41.
- Peter acted too fast. Luke 22:50-51; John 18:10-11. Malchus.
- Peter followed too far. Luke 22:54.

# THE DENIALS

- Matt. 26:69-75; Mark 14:66-72; Luke 22:54-62; John 18:15-18, 25:27.
- Danger of stepping away from God. Each step leads to another farther away.
- All four accounts give information, but Luke's account also tells of Jesus looking at Peter when he denied.

# A PATH FOR REDEMPTION

- Matt. 26:75. Peter had remorse and also godly sorrow that brought about repentance. 2 Cor. 7:10.
- John 21:15-17. Jesus gives Peter a chance to state his love for Jesus and be restored.



# Peter overcame his failures

1 Pet. 1:3-9.

How many hardships will we face?

Trials make us stronger.

Don't ever deny our Lord!



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