

**HOW TO AVOID DISASTROUS SPIRITUAL FAILURE? Part 1**  
**LEARNING FROM PETER'S FAILURE**  
**Matthew 26:31-35**

- I. WE MUST LISTEN TO WHAT GOD SAYS! We are in terrible spiritual danger when we do not truly hear what our Lord says in His Word (31-33)**
- A. Jesus predicts all the disciples temporal stumbling because of His arrest, affirming and fulfilling Scripture (31)
  
  - B. Jesus further encourages the disciples, revealing that they will be reunited in Galilee after His resurrection (32)
  
  - C. Peter reveals he has dangerously selective hearing (33)
- II. WE MUST SEE OURSELVES RIGHTLY: We are in terrible spiritual danger when we do not see ourselves rightly (33-35)**
- A. Peter manifests a prideful self-sufficiency that ignores and even contradicts God's Word (33-35)
  
  - B. Peter through His sinful pride (a wrong view of self) became a target for the devil's temptation and fell (Luke 22:31-34, Matt 26:69-75)

NEXT WEEK

**PART 2 WE MUST RELY COMPLETELY UPON THE LORD THROUGH PRAYER**  
**(36-45)**