

PETER and the rooster

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Peter was one of Jesus' disciples.
When soldiers took Jesus away,
Peter was scared, but he wanted to see
what was they would do to Jesus.



Peter went everywhere with Jesus.
He was one of his helpers
and Jesus was his friend.
"I will never leave you," Peter said to Jesus.



But Jesus told Peter,
"Tonight, before the Rooster crows,
you will tell people that
you don't even know me, three times!"



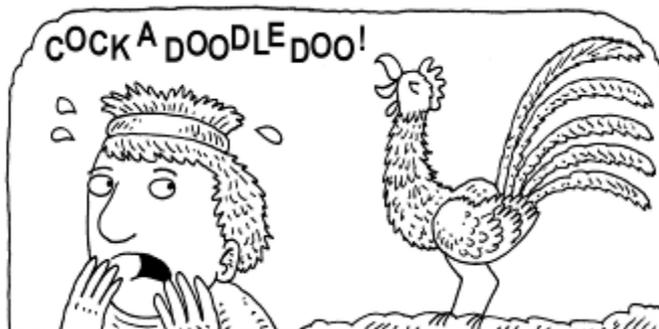
After the soldiers took Jesus away,
Peter was scared and watched from a safe place.
"You were with Jesus," a girl said.
"I don't know what you are talking about," he replied.



Another man saw Peter.
"This man was with Jesus," he said.
"I was not!" said Peter,
"I don't even know him!"



More people said, "You are one of Jesus followers.
You talk exactly like him."
"I tell you that I don't even know him," said Peter.
Then he heard a rooster crow.



Peter remembered that Jesus had said,
"Tonight, before the Rooster crows,
you will tell people that
you don't even know me, three times!"



Peter was sorry he hadn't told everyone
that Jesus was his friend.
From that day on, Peter told everyone about Jesus.
I will tell people that Jesus is my friend, too.