

A script from



“Before the Clock Strikes Two”

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What	When we reflect on Peter’s denial of knowing Jesus, do we think we could have done better? How do we deny Jesus in our daily lives? Themes: Easter, Denial, Peter, Cross, Jesus
Who	Greg Ben Waitress Man
When	Present
Wear (Props)	Café setting- table chairs Bill/Check Tip money Bible Sound effect of clock chiming twice
Why	Luke 22:34
How	Keep the dialogue conversational and be careful not to overact.
Time	Approximately 5-7 minutes

Greg and Ben are eating lunch together and sharing in a time of Bible study.

Greg: *(Reading from the Bible)* Suddenly, Jesus' words flashed through Peter's mind, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny three times that you even know me." And he broke down and wept. *(Looks up)* Hmm...must have been a tough day for Peter.

Ben: *(Sipping water and looking at his Bible)* I don't know...sounds like he was pretty weak to me.

Greg: Weak? This is Peter we are talking about...the Rock!

Ben: All I am saying is that Peter shouldn't have been so quick to let Jesus down. He should have stood up for him.

Greg: Well, I don't know if I would have done any better. I might have worried so much about my own safety or my character that I could have easily denied him too.

Ben: Not me. I would have made it clear that I knew Jesus and my life would always reflect my love for him.

Greg: Ben, I am going to have to wrap up our Bible study for today. It's almost one o'clock, and if I'm late getting back to work, my boss may deny that he knows me! We can talk some more later.

Ben: You go ahead. It's my turn to pick up the check.

Greg: Thanks. See you on Sunday. *(gets up to leave)*

Ben: Yeah, have a good week, Greg.

Ben sits and waits for bill...looks around for Waitress who appears in scene doing work away from him.

Ben: Waitress!

Waitress keeps working, but doesn't respond.

Ben: Waitress!

Waitress: I'll be with you in a minute.

Ben continues to wait and gets more frustrated.

Ben: Waitress, I need my bill!

Waitress: *(Bringing bill)* I'm sorry for the delay. One of the other waitresses called in sick, so we're short-handed today.

Ben: Well... *(looks at bill and realizes it is not his)* This is not even my bill. I can't believe it...

Waitress: I am so sorry. I'll go get yours and be right back.

Ben: How long is this going to take?

Waitress: Just a minute. *(Heads off.)*

Ben: How did she get hired? *(Picks up tip)* I'll show her she needs to do a better job.

Waitress comes back in a hurry.

Waitress: Here you go sir. And again, I am so sorry for your wait.

Ben: Don't worry. I won't be coming back here again for lunch.

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ENDING:

He walks off and leaves Ben alone. Ben shakes his head as he watches him leave.

Ben: What is going on with folks today? First the restaurant, then at home and now this complete stranger...everyone seems to be trying to make me the bad guy...all I'm trying to do is... *(interrupted by loud clock chiming two times)*

Greg: *(Offstage)* "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny three times that you even know me."

Ben stops suddenly, reflects on his day, then kneels in tears.

Lights out. The end.