

**Sermon Text: Matthew 26:69-75**

**Sermon Title: Take Heed Lest You Fall**

**I. The Power of Denial**

A. Negatively – It can produce condemnation!

B. Positively – It can contribute to your sanctification.

**II. The Potential of Denial (“Now Peter...”)**

A. The Example of Peter

B. The Warning by Paul

**III. The Process of Denial**

A. Peter was guilty of prayerlessness (26:40-41)

B. Peter was guilty of recklessness (26:50-51)

C. Peter was guilty of restlessness (26:58)

**Apply the Text:**

**The Power of Denial**

- Choose to say “no” to sin and “yes” to Christ!
- Keep your eyes fixed on Christ.

**The Potential of Denial**

- Admit your weakness.
- Look for the way of escape.

**Avoiding the Process of Denial**

- Spend more time in prayer.
  - Ask for the mind of Christ.
  - Ask for the peace that passes all understanding.