Pray together to enter the study
Read text aloud (2-3 verses per person)

FRAME *2 min to read aloud*

This is multiple eyewitness accounts describing Peter's actions during Jesus' trial.

The Matthew passages happen immediately before and during Jesus' trial that leads to His death. The John passage is Jesus and Peter's conversation after Jesus' came back to life.

OBSERVE

5 min to reflect alone, 5 min to all share

Imagine yourself in the story. What do you see, hear, and smell?

Look for repeated words, comparisons, contrasts, and cause and effect.

Note characters, relationships, locations, time, actions, and reactions.

INTERPRET

3 min to gather q's, 12 min to discuss

Develop some questions based on your observations. What stirs your curiosity?

Imagine the perspective of the people in the scene.

Answer your questions from the text and context.

SUMMARIZE & SPOTLIGHT

1 min to read the summary aloud

Peter swears he would follow Jesus. But when Jesus is on trial Peter denies knowing Him. When Jesus comes back, he says to 'feed His sheep'.

3 min to individually write a main point
2 min for all to share, end with leader

TRUSTING GOD IN NURSING SCHOOL: FACING FAILURE

Matthew 26:33 – 35, 69 – 74 & John 21:15 – 17 (NIV)

33 Peter replied, "Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will."
34 "Truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "this very night, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times."
35 But Peter declared, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you." And all the other disciples said the same.

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69 Now Peter was sitting out in the courtyard, and a servant girl came to him. "You also were with Jesus of Galilee," she said.
70 But he denied it before them all. "I don't know what you're talking about," he said.
71 Then he went out to the gateway, where another servant girl saw him and said to the people there, "This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth."
72 He denied it again, with an oath: "I don't know the man!"
73 After a little while, those standing there went up to Peter and said, "Surely you are one of them; your accent gives you away."
74 Then he began to call down curses, and he swore to them, "I don't know the man!"
Immediately a rooster crowed. 75 Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken: "Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times." And he went outside and wept bitterly.

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15 When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?"
"Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you."
Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."
16 Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"
He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."
Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."
17 The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"
Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."

APPLY

5 min for individual reflection, 5 min to share as a group

When and how have you experienced failure while in healthcare or nursing school? Pray about how God is responding to your mistakes. Then think of 2 people who have also failed and need to hear God's response to them. Commit to inviting them to your next study! Write your application and their names below:

CONCLUDE

5 min to pray for each other and your applications

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