FAILURE ISN’T FINAL  
MARK 14:54, 66-72 / AUGUST 16, 2017 / WED

I. FIRST, PETER FAILED TO BUY INTO GOD’S PLAN OF SALVATION—MARK 8:34-35.

II. SECOND, PETER BECAME SPIRITUALLY COMPLACENT—MARK 14:35-38.

III. THIRD, PETER’S BRAVERY WAS MISGUIDED—JOHN 18:10.

IV. FOURTH, PETER’S BIGGEST TEST FOLLOWED JESUS’ ARREST.
   A. First, he followed Jesus at a distance—Mark 14:54.
   B. Second, Peter denied Jesus not once, but three times.
      1. First, he claimed he didn’t understand the question—14:66-68.
      3. Third, he bolstered his denial with some “four letter” words—14:70b-71.

We should take away at least two lessons from Peter’s failure.
   1. First, anyone can fall, even us—1 Cor. 10:12.
   2. Second, failure doesn’t have to be final—1 John 1:9.