

31 "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift each of you like wheat. <sup>32</sup> But I have pleaded in prayer for you, Simon, that your faith should not fail. So when you have repented and turned to me again, strengthen your brothers." <sup>33</sup> Peter said, "Lord, I am ready to go to prison with you, and even to die with you." <sup>34</sup> But Jesus said, "Peter, let me tell you something. Before the rooster crows tomorrow morning, you will deny three times that you even know me."

Luke 22:31-34 NLT



<sup>31</sup> "Peter, my dear friend, listen to what I'm about to tell you. Satan has obtained permission to come and sift you all like wheat and test your faith. <sup>32</sup> But I have prayed for you, Peter, that you would stay faithful to me no matter what comes. Remember this: after you have turned back to me and have been restored, make it your life mission to strengthen the faith of your brothers." 33 "But Lord," Peter replied, "I am ready to stand with you to the very end, even if it means prison or death!" 34 Jesus looked at him and prophesied, "Before the rooster crows in the morning, you will deny three times that you even know me."

Luke 22:31-34 TPT



## Can God Trust You in the Sift?

Luke 22:31-32 KJV

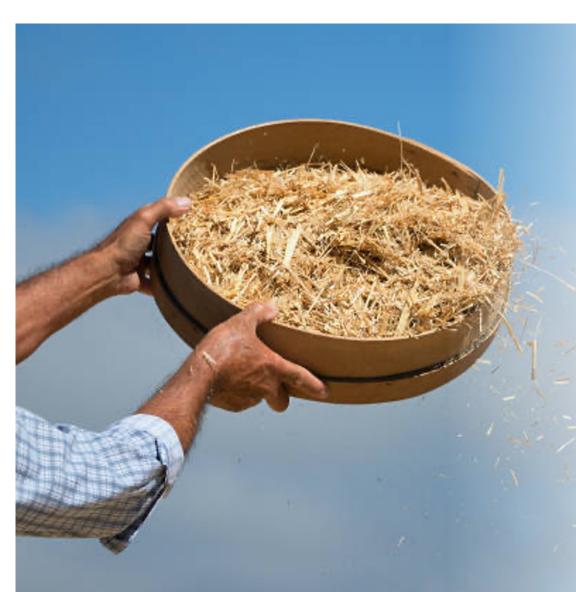


## **Desired to have**

<u>exētēsato</u>: to demand of, to ask for, to beg earnestly for.

eksaitéomai: properly, to request a full "handing over."

eksaitéomai ("totally hand over") only occurs in Lk 22:31. Here Satan requests Peter be completely removed out of God's hands – and be put totally in his power.



<sup>2</sup> My fellow believers, when it seems as though you are facing nothing but difficulties, see it as an invaluable opportunity to experience the greatest joy that you can! <sup>3</sup> For you know that when your faith is tested it stirs up in you the power of endurance. <sup>4</sup> And then as your endurance grows even stronger, it will release perfection into every part of your being until there is nothing missing and nothing lacking.

James 1:2-4
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We all experience times of testing, which is normal for every human being. But God will be faithful to you. He will screen and filter the severity, nature, and timing of every test or trial you face so that you can bear it. And each test is an opportunity to trust him more, for along with every trial God has provided for you a way of escape that will bring you out of it victoriously.

1 Corinthians 10:13
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