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**Hope Lives Here: Finding hope for your failures**  
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**Romans 3:23 (NIV):** All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

**Matthew 26:33 (NIV):** Peter replied, "Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will."

**Matthew 26:34 (NIV 1984):** "I tell you the truth...this very night, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times."

**Matthew 26:35 (NIV):** ..."Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you."

**John 21:3 (NIV):** "I'm going out to fish."

**John 21:3-6 (NIV):** ...So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.

**Five Keys for Responding to Your Failure:**

**Key #1: Grieve It!**

**Matthew 26:75 (NIV):** 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.

**2 Corinthians 7:10 (NIV):** Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.

**Key #2: Release It!**

**Micah 7:19 (NIV):** ...hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

**1 Peter 1:1 (NIV):** Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ...

**2 Peter 1:1 (NIV):** Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ...

**Key #3: Accept It!**

**Key #4: Convert It!**

**Romans 8:28 (NIV):** And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

**Key #5: Employ It!**

The place of your greatest failure can become the source of your greatest ministry if you'll surrender that failure to God's healing grace.