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**Bahan Alkitab**: Luk 22:31-62, John 21, Gal 2:11-14

**Ringkasan Bahan SM**:

Points of Learning:

I.

Cognitive: The Lord Jesus warned Peter against 'sift' from satan, but Peter failed. After the resurrection, The Lord appointed Peter to ministry as an apostle. God never gave up on Peter and ready to forgive him.

Affective: Children are grateful that there is God's forgiveness for us when we sin against God.

Psychomotor: Children pray for faith to face temptations every day. Children appreciate God's forgiveness by living in righteousness.

II.

Cognitive: After Peter became the church leader or great preacher, he still made mistake and needed forgiveness. We need to be cleansed throughout our lives.

Affective: Children realize that not because we have been Christians for a long time means that we are already perfect. We can still make mistakes and need to repent.

Psychomotor: Children want to ask God for forgiveness every day and want to be taught / guided by God's word continuously. People who are saved surely want to learn more to please God.

**Introduction**: Many warning signs around us e.g. warning of wet floor, warning of road closure, warning of high voltage, etc. There are also warnings from parents, grandparents or teachers. Do you like warnings? Sometimes people choose to ignore some warnings, thinking that they are strong/healthy e.g. warning of covid. So, they deliberately ignored precautions.

**Background of story**: During Passover meal with all disciples, the night before the crucifixion of the Lord Jesus, He warned Peter that there was a temptation from Satan.

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| The warning "sift you like the wheat" in other words, "Satan is seeking to shake you all violently, as one does wheat, to cause you to fall", means it is a very heavy temptation, so Peter should be careful and pray for God's help. Unfortunately, Peter ignored God's warning.  Peter who is prominent, an inner circle disciple and often like a leader/spokesperson in the group, feels great and thinks that he is able to be faithful to death for God. So that he doesn't care about God's warning. But finally, he failed and denied God. In grief over his mistake, Peter wept bitterly and was deeply sorry.  After the resurrection, in John 21: 1-19 when God revealed Himself to the disciples, He entrusted the ministry of caring for and building His church to Peter. This shows that God forgives and accepts him back even though he has done something wrong. |
| After Jesus ascended to heaven, in the book of Acts recorded Peter served God wholeheartedly, bravely and diligently. |
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II.

Long after that, Peter became the leader of the apostles. As a great preacher and courageous witness, does it mean Petrus already perfect? No, he still made mistakes.

In Galatians 2: 11-14 Paul confronted him for his mistake. This shows that people who have served God for a long time can still sin and need to repent and also ask for God's forgiveness.

What was Peter's mistake? In Antioch, when the Jews brother visit, he separated himself and did not eat with the gentiles’ brother. Peter's hypocrisy caused some Jews brothers do the same thing. This might also create wrong understanding for the gentiles that salvation is by works and not by faith.

As a longtime Christian, does it mean we are already perfect? After we believe in the Lord Jesus, we should have desire to live according to His Word. This passage shows that no one is perfect. Great preacher like Peter still need to be continuously corrected and learn obedience to God.

Everyday there are many temptations we need to fight. Therefore, we need God's word to guide us. We need God's forgiveness to start over and move on.

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| **Questions to ponder**: |
| 1. Do you always listen to and obey God's warnings? Do you ask God for help in facing temptations? When you fail, do you truly repent and ask God to forgive you? If you know that God forgives your sins did you change? |
| 2. How do you know you have sinned if you don't read the Bible? Do you read God's words every day and ask God to guide your hearts and minds to discern? |

**Ayat Hafalan**: Luk 22:32  but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”

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