

3 Times Denied

38th Parallel

Breaking bread, Pouring wine,
Speaking mysteries that stretch my mind
But I failed to follow,
The meaning of fish and bread that I swallowed?
Dipping bread in a dish, calling out a trader
I'm hoping you'll explain this sooner or later
I'm living with confusion, It's like a bad dream,
Tell me, what's the conclusion?

Three times denied
Thought I was strong but it seems I was wrong
Now I see, since now I've three times denied
your name--I'm stained with shame
This wretchedness becomes my fame

Your accusation, it plagues my mind
Your prophecy leaves me horrified
Denied you never would be,
Of all of us, it would never be me

That would break your heart and make you moan
Forsake your name, leave you alone
With the sting of a coward's lie
The signed decree that declares you die

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Nightmares run through my brain
Cold sweat covers me like a sickening stain
In this place between asleep and awake
I shake from the cold and the fear of heartbreak

And in the glow of the fire I turn into a liar
Too scared to say 'I know'
And like a shepherdless sheep I run and I weep
As I hear the cock crow

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My son do you love me?
And I said three times, "You know that I do"

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