

The Night Watch

1st Watch	2nd Watch	3rd Watch	4th Watch
6PM - 9PM	9PM - 12AM	12AM - 3AM	3AM - 6AM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mt. 14:25 • Mk. 6:48 • Lk.12:38 			

The Cock-Crowing

1st Crowing	2nd Crowing
11:30PM - 12AM	Dawn
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mk. 14:68 (Majority text) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mt. 26:34; Mt.26:74 • Mk.14:30; 14:72; • Lk.22:61; 22:34 • Jn. 13:38; 18:27

The Old Testament makes no reference to domesticated poultry. It was likely introduced into Judea after Rome conquered Israel. New Testament references to cock-crowing seem to imply their regularity and almost clock-like nature. However, factors such as a full moon, coming storm, and nearby disturbances, can affect the regularity of the cock's crowing. Jesus used the cock-crowing reference to tell Peter that he would deny Him before the cock crowed (Mt.26:34; Mk.14:30; Lk.22:34; Jn.13:38). Jesus also used cock-crowing as a time-period (not knowing when) concerning Him return to the earth (Mk.13:35).