

PETER, AN APOSTLE OF JESUS CHRIST

I Peter 1:1

Introduction;

- A. The Bible is God's revelation to man.
 - 1. The Bible was written by men, inspired and directed by God.
 - a. II Peter 1:21.
 - b. The Lord used Peter to reveal a portion of His will to us.

- B. What and who was this man called Peter?

I . THE CALL OF PETER . MATT . 4 : 18 - 20 .

- A. False idea of his call.
 - 1. Strange man.
 - 2. Strange eyes.

- B. Simon had the baptism of John.

II . PETER BECOMES AN APOSTLE . MATT . 10 : 1 - 2 .

- A. Apostle = primarily an adj., one sent, messenger, ambassador, envoy, to send off or to send away.

- B. The foundation (first officers) in the church.
 - 1. Eph. 2:19-20.
 - 2. I Cor. 12:28.

III . DOUBTING PETER . MATT . 14 : 22 - 23 .

- A. Surely you mean "doubting Thomas."

- B. The consequences of a lack of faith.
 - 1. Faith was based on an "if."
 - 2. He could have blamed Jesus.
 - 3. He could have blamed the waves.
 - 4. He could have blamed the others.
 - 5. If you aren't walking on the water, Who is to fault?

**IV. A NEW NAME.
MATT. 16:13-20.**

- A. "thou art petros, a pebble."
- B. "upon this rock, petra, huge boulder."
- C. "I will keep on building, dome up, complete."

**V. AN IMPETUOUS APOSTLE.
MATT. 17:1-8.**

- A. Six days later.
 - 1. "let us make three tabernacles."
 - 2. Moses, Elias, Jesus, vs. 4
- B. The sum of the whole matter.
 - 1. vs. 5-8.
 - 2. "Jesus only."

**VI. AN OVER-CONFIDENT APOSTLE.
JOHN 13:36-3 ; MATT. 26:30-3#.**

- A. Peter wasn't sure. (for awhile.)
 - 1. vs. 20-22
 - 2. Judas identified. vs. 24-25.
- B. Peter's over-confidence restored.
 - 1. Matt. 26:30. (33-35)

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2. "I will never be offended." vs. 33.
3. "though I die with thee, yet will I not deny thee."

VII. THE THIRD STEP TO FAILURE. MATT. 26:36-46.

- A. Lack of faith or doubt.
- B. Over-confident and judgmental.
 1. "all men shall be offended."
- C. Failure to watch.
 1. vs. 41

VIII. THE WORD'S OF JESUS COME TRUE. MATT. 26:69-75.

- A. How can we doubt what Jesus says?
 1. People ignore every warning of the Bible and are surprised when they reap what they sow.
- B. There is something worse than weeping bitterly.
 1. Peter was not afraid to remember.
- C. Many are to filled with pride to weep bitterly.

