

PETER, THE MAN WHO DIDN'T KNOW HIMSELF.

I Peter 1:1

Introduction:

- A. Socrates: "Know thyself."
- B. We have noted the call of Peter.
 - 1. Matt. 4:18 "I'll make you fishers of men."
- C. We have noted his designation as an apostle.
 - 1. Matt. 10:1-2 "the 12 apostles are these, The first, Simon, who is called Peter...."
- D. We have noticed his doubts.
 - 1. Matt. 14:22-33 "Lord, save me."
- E. We have seen him given a new name.
 - 1. Prophesied. John 1:42.
 - 2. Matt. 16:13-20. "thou art Peter..."
- F. We have seen his tendency to misunderstand.
 - 1. Matt. 17:1-8. "Let us make three tabernacles.."
- G. We have seen his confidence in the "flesh."
 - 1. Matt. 26:30-33. "I will never be offended."
- H. We have seen his failure to watch.
 - 1. Matt. 36:46.
 - 2. "What, could ye not watch with me one hour?"
 - 3. War Memorial Stadium seats?

I . PETER, THE VOW-MAKER. MATT. 26:33-35.

- A. Peter made two vows. [One before and one after Jesus' warning.]

1. vs. 33 offend = to cause to stumble, to give a reason for scandal.
2. vs. 35 "though I should die with thee..."

B. Vows are not to be broken. Eccl. 5:1-7.

1. What is a vow? A promise to God.
2. Have you made promises you haven't kept?

I I . JESUS WARNS THE APOSTLE . MATT . 26 : 34 .

A. Did Peter have a choice? Luke 22:31-33.

1. Not a decree of fate of God, but Peter's choice.

B. We are warned by Peter himself.

1. I Peter 5:8. "sober = watchful.
2. vigilant = to wake, keep awake, watch.
3. this is the voice of experience.

I I I . THE WORDS OF JESUS COME TRUE . MATT . 26 : 69 - 75 ,

A. Why would we expect anything else?

1. Gal. 6:7,8. Be not deceived.

B. We live in a world of choices.

1. Make your choice and pay the price.

I V . THE CROWING OF THE ROOSTER .

A. The sound of broken vows.

B. God will remind us!