



## FAITHFUL MEN #6 - PETER

### The Rock!

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<sup>18</sup> And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. **Matt. 16:18**

#### HE GOT INTRODUCED TO JESUS

<sup>40</sup> Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup> The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). <sup>42</sup> And he brought him to Jesus. **John 1:40-43**

#### HE ALLOWED JESUS IN CLOSE

<sup>2</sup> He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" **Luke 5:2-3, 8**

#### WILLING TO TAKE A STEP OF FAITH

<sup>25</sup> Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. <sup>26</sup> When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." <sup>28</sup> "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." **Matt. 14:25-28**

#### HE KNEW HIS OPTIONS

<sup>66</sup> From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. <sup>67</sup> "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup> We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God." **John 6:66-69**

#### HE WAS CURIOUS

Then Peter said to Jesus, "Explain to us the parable that says people aren't defiled by what they eat." **Matt. 15:15 NLT**

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?" <sup>22</sup> Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times. **Matt. 18:21-22**

#### HE KNEW WHO CHRIST WAS

<sup>15</sup> "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." **Matt. 16:15-16**

#### HE HAD HIS BOYS

and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners. **Luke 5:10**

## HE WAS HUMAN

### HE MISSED THE POINT

<sup>6</sup> He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?” <sup>7</sup> Jesus replied, “You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand.” <sup>8</sup> “No,” said Peter, “you shall never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no part with me.” <sup>9</sup> “Then, Lord,” Simon Peter replied, “not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!” **John 13:6-9**

### HE WAS OVERCONFIDENT

<sup>31</sup> “Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat. <sup>32</sup> But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.” <sup>33</sup> But he replied, “Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death.” <sup>34</sup> Jesus answered, “I tell you, Peter, before the rooster crows today, you will deny three times that you know me.” **Luke 22:31-34**

## HE WAS NOT DEFINED BY HIS MISTAKES

### HE PREACHED

<sup>22</sup> “Men of Israel, listen to these words: Jesus the Nazarene, a man <sup>23</sup> attested to you by God with miracles and wonders and signs which God performed through Him in your midst, just as you yourselves know— <sup>23</sup> this *Man*, delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of <sup>24</sup> godless men and put *Him* to death. <sup>24</sup> But God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power. **Acts 2:22-23 NAS**

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

What are your initial observations?

With everything you know about Peter, what is one thing that stands out?

What keeps men from allowing Jesus to get close?

How can we be curious about things with God?

Could you ever cut another man’s ear off?