



Sunday, July 24, 2022

Alta Vista Baptist Church



“Then Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.” So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.” – Luke 5:10b-11

Peter part 1 (pre-Jesus’ Crucifixion)...

1) Who Is Peter? (John 1:35-42)

- Calling of Peter by Jesus – Matthew 4:18-22/Mark 1:16-20, Luke 5:1-11, John 1:35-42

Peter was;

- **Married** (1 Corinthians 9:5)
- **Fisherman** by trade with his brother Andrew and their business partners James and John (Luke 5:1-11)
- A **Sinful Man** (Luke 5:8)
- Part of **Jesus Inner Circle** w/ James and John (Matthew 17:1-13, 26:36–46, Mark 5:35-43)
- **Full of Faith** in Jesus (Matthew 14:25-32)
- Normally the **first one to speak**, sometimes out of turn (Matthew 16:23)
- **Rash and Hasty** (Luke 22:33), **Irritable and Angry** (John 18:10)
- **Loyal and Loving** toward Jesus (Matthew 16:22)
- The **Rock** (Matthew 16:18)
- A **Disowner** (Luke 22:31-35, 54-62)
- *The Greatest Story of Redemption Ever Recorded!* (Pt #2)

2) What Do We Learn From Peter’s Example?

- Personal _____ is SO Important!

“But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.” - 1 Peter 3:15

- Jesus Can _____ Even the Hardest of Hearts!

“The Lord isn’t really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent.” – 2 Peter 3:9

- When We Are _____ to Jesus, the Devil is Working Hard!

“Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. Stand firm against him, and be strong in your faith. Remember that your family of believers all over the world is going through the same kind of suffering you are.” – 1 Peter 5:8-9



DIGGING DEEPER

(For use in personal/family devotions or with your care group)

- Q1:** Have you ever shared your story of coming to follow Jesus with someone? What happened?
- Q2:** Why are personal stories of salvation and change so powerful?
- Q3:** Who is an “Andrew” in your life? Thank them for their faithful witness.
- Q4:** Read Luke 5:1-11. How does Peter respond to the miracle? What does that say about Peter’s view of Jesus? What does this teach you about Jesus?
- Q5:** Does the truth that Jesus uses sinful people to accomplish His purposes encourage you, challenge you? What would you change if you lived in light of this truth?
- Q6:** How have you felt the attack of the enemy? How can you be on guard?