

FROM SIMON TO PETER: BECOMING A BELIEVER TRANSFORMED BY GOD'S GRACE

A. Becoming a Believer whose DESTINY & IDENTITY is Changed by CHRIST (John 1:29-42)

1. Peter's birth name was Simon, which is an abbreviated form of the name _____.
2. Jesus' renaming of Simon as Cephas (Aramaic "rock") was actually a _____ and a _____ . (v. 42)

** What did this change in Simon's name imply?*

B. Becoming a Believer whose DIRECTION IN LIFE is Changed by CHRIST (Luke 5:1-11)

1. Here Simon had to learn a lesson about _____ in the _____ versus _____ in the _____. (vv. 1-5)
2. For Simon to grow into Cephas, he had to come to the _____. (vv. 8-11)

** What can you learn from this?*

C. Becoming a Believer whose DEPENDENCE is Upon CHRIST (Matt. 14:22-33)

1. Peter's _____ was demonstrated by _____ on the _____. (vv. 22-29)
2. Peter's _____ occurred when he took his eyes off _____. (vv. 30-33)

** What can you learn from this?*

D. Becoming a Believer of DIVINE VIEWPOINT from the Word of CHRIST (Matt. 16:13-28)

1. Christ's real identity was _____ to Peter by God. (vv. 16-17)

2. Though Peter had _____, he lacked _____. (vv. 20-24)

** What can you learn from this?*

E. Becoming a Believer who Accepts CORRECTION from the LORD (Matt. 17:1-8)

1. The purpose of this episode was to reveal the _____. (2 Pt. 1:15-18)

2. The Lord corrected Peter for _____ when he should've been _____. (vv. 4-5)

** What can you learn from this?*

F. Becoming a Believer of HUMILITY before the LORD (Luke 22:24-62)

1. Like Peter, we all have a natural bent towards _____ and _____. (vv. 24-62)

** How was this manifested in Peter's life?*

2. Becoming a godly believer involves growing in _____ & _____. (Gal. 5:4; Jam. 4:6; 2 Pt. 3:18)

G. Becoming a Believer of USEFULNESS to the LORD (John 21)

1. Following the Lord's resurrection, He sent a _____ to Peter to _____ Him up in Galilee (Mark 16:1-7); and then He _____ to Peter. (Lk. 24:34; 1 Cor. 15:5)

2. The Lord appeared again to His disciples, now in Galilee, where Peter was _____ to a place of _____ and _____ for the Lord. (John 21:1-19)

** What spiritual lessons can you learn from Peter's life?*