

*Family Worship*

*Peter: A Changed Life*

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# *Opening Prayer*

Our Heavenly Father, thank you for our family.

And thank you for the privilege of coming together for worship.

Help us to understand Your Word and obey it with a joyful heart.

In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

# HE IS EXALTED

*He is exalted means He is lifted high*



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pM3DCuDvafY>

He is exalted  
the King is exalted on High  
I will praise Him  
He is exalted forever exalted  
And I will praise His name

He is the Lord  
Forever His truth shall reign  
Heaven and Earth  
Rejoice in His holy name  
He is exalted  
the King is exalted on high

# *Catechism Time!*

Bible truths for teaching children

# Question 17

**Q:** What is idolatry?

**A:** Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator.

**Let's ask ourselves...**

- Don't we all want happiness, hope and security? Yes!
- Money, power, beauty, popularity, etc. can become our idols if we trust in them to give us happiness, hope and security.
- Only God can give us happiness, hope and security.

**Bible verse (Romans 1:25)**

They exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator. . . .

# Acts 4:5-13

*Today we will learn about Peter...*

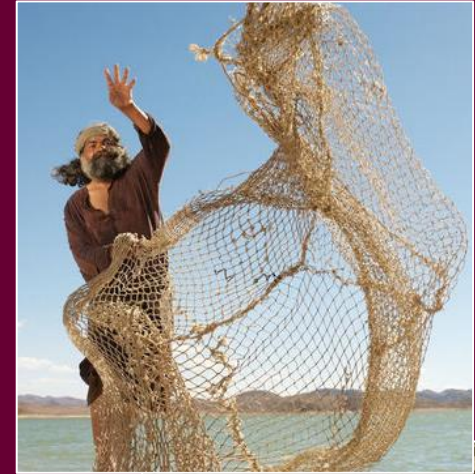
- Who was he?*
- What was he like before he was filled by the Holy Spirit?*
- What was he like after?*

*From learning how God changed Peter, we will learn how God can change you and me too!*

# Peter

Peter was...

- ✓ a simple fisherman in Galilee
- ✓ one of the first disciples of Jesus
- ✓ a man with big words but couldn't follow through
- ✓ a student who often misunderstood his teacher
- ✓ an impulsive guy
- ✓ a coward, 3x denied knowing Jesus
- ✓ But look at Peter in Acts...completely changed !



# Who was Peter? A simple fisherman...

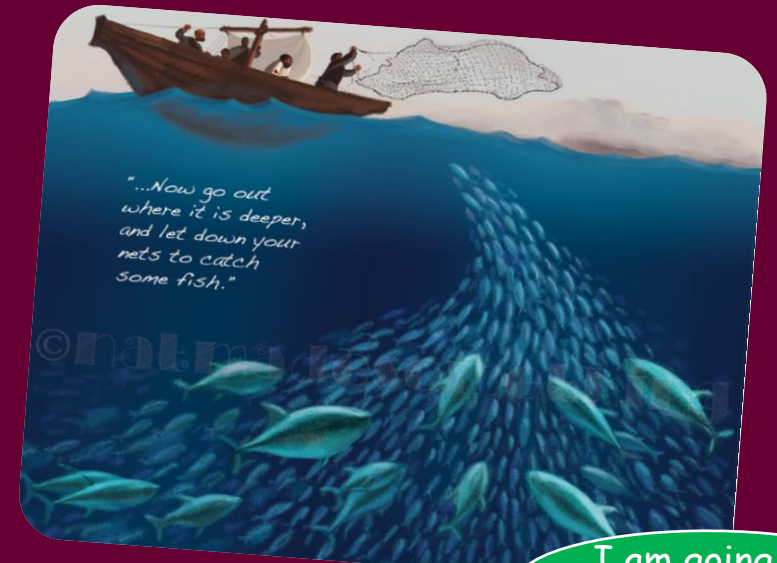
Peter's first met Jesus by the Sea of Galilee.

Jesus got into Peter's boat and taught people from there. When he finished, he told Peter to spread the net into deep water.

Peter didn't believe it would work, because he had worked all night but caught nothing. But still, he followed Jesus' instruction, and had a huge catch!

Then He fell at Jesus' knees and said, 'Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!'

Jesus said, 'Don't be afraid; **from now on you will fish for people.**' He left everything and followed Jesus.





# Peter was a student who criticised his teacher



Stop that! You are Israel's king. Our king must not die!



Jesus asked his disciples who they thought he was. Peter got it right: Jesus is the Christ, God's promised King for Israel and the human race.

Jesus began to teach that he must suffer, be killed and after 3 days rise again.

Peter took Jesus aside & criticised him!

But Jesus criticised Peter, saying, "Go away from me, Satan! **You don't care about the things of God. You care only about things important to men.**"

# Peter was a coward who denied Jesus 3 times

After Jesus was arrested, Peter followed him into the courtyard and warmed himself.

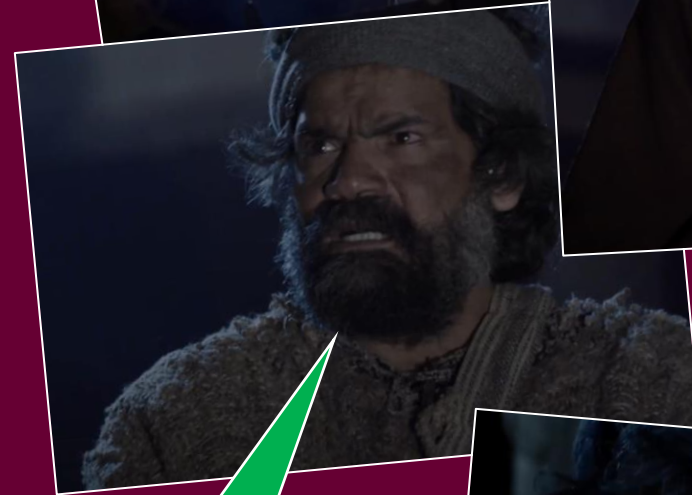
A servant girl and others recognized Peter as a follower of Jesus.

**3 times Peter denied he knew Jesus!**

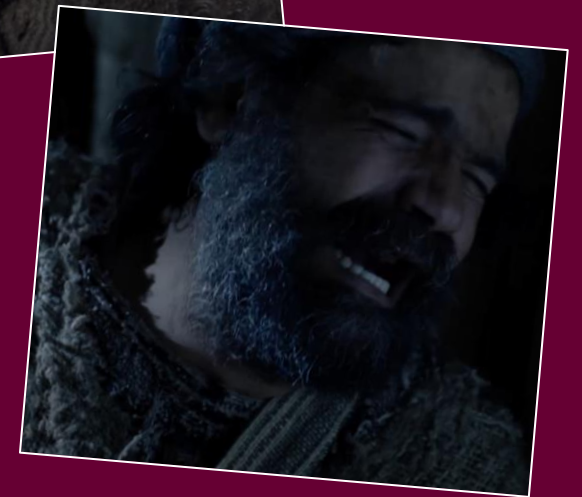
Immediately the cock crowed again. Then Peter remembered Jesus' prediction. He broke down and wept.



Man, I don't know him



I don't know that man @#\$%!!!!



# Peter argued he was the greatest disciple

At the last supper, the disciples argued who was the greatest among them.

But Jesus said, the greatest among them should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves.



- ❑ That was Peter back then...he was at best a "B" student.
- ❑ After the Holy Spirit came and filled him, we see this "new and improved" Peter!
- ❑ When he preached on the Day of Pentecost, 3000 people believed and were baptised. That was only the beginning...
- ❑ Let's watch what happened next as Peter healed a crippled beggar...

# Peter Healed a Crippled Beggar

Acts 3

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oz0HptfaN0s>



# Peter healed a crippled beggar

Acts 3-4

After Peter healed the crippled beggar, he told everyone gathered there about the good news of Jesus.

Many believed, and the number of men who believed grew from 3000 to 5000!

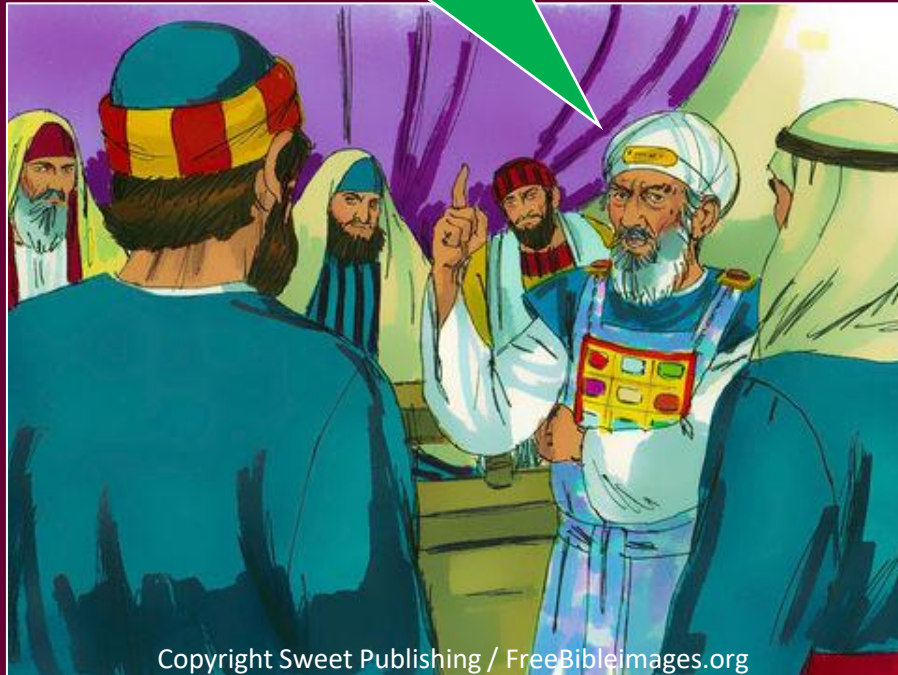


But the Jewish leaders sent guards to arrest Peter and John.

# Peter and John before the Jewish Leaders

Acts 4:5-13

"By what power or authority did you do this?"

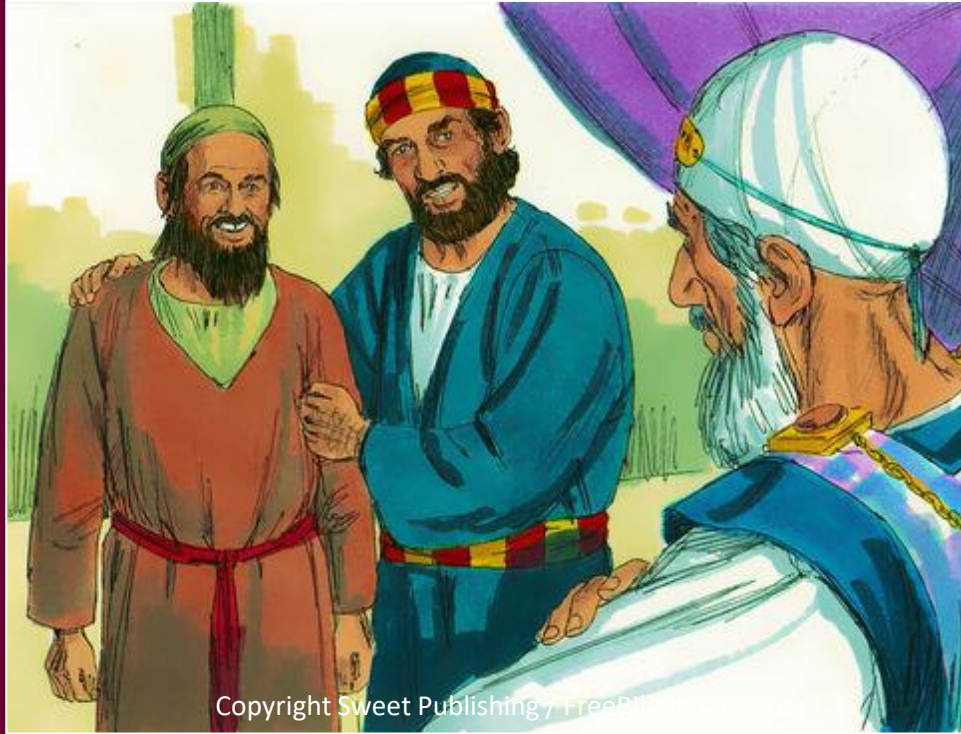


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The next day Peter and John were brought before the Jewish leaders.

They asked Peter and John : "By what power or authority did you do this?"

Then Peter was **filled with the Holy Spirit**. He said to them, "Rulers of the people and you elders, are you questioning us about a good thing that was done to a crippled man? Are you asking us who made him well? We want all of you and all the Jewish people to know that this man was made well by the power of Jesus Christ from Nazareth! **You nailed him to a cross, but God raised him from death.**



This man was crippled, but he is now well and able to stand here before you **because of the power of Jesus!** Jesus is 'the stone that you builders did not want. It has become the cornerstone.' **Jesus is the only One who can save people.** No one else in the world is able to save us."

The Jewish leaders saw that Peter and John were **not afraid** to speak. They understood that these men had **no special training or education.** So they were amazed. Then they realized that Peter and John **had been with Jesus.**



# Peter

## The Old Peter

*(before he was filled with the Holy Spirit)*

1. *A simple uneducated fisherman*
2. *A coward who denied Jesus*
3. *A boastful person who wanted to be great*
4. *Cared about things important to people*

## The New Peter

- A. *A powerful preacher and miracle-worker*
- B. *Courageous in sharing Jesus with others*
- C. *Directed attention to Jesus, not to himself*
- D. *Cared about things important to God*



# Sharing By Family Members

1. Discuss any similarities you see between yourself and the Old Peter.
2. Do you find the New Peter attractive? If so, what do you find attractive?
3. Do you desire to be like the New Peter?
  - ✓ First ask God to forgive the Old Peter in you...
  - ✓ Then ask God to help you change by filling you with the Holy Spirit.

# *Family Prayer Time*

1. Thank God for His Word and help so we may learn from Him.
2. Ask your children to pray for what they have learned just now.
3. Ask your family how you can pray for them specifically.

# 聖靈的果子

## *Fruit of the Spirit*



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E148UxYDLgY>

仁爱喜乐和平  
忍耐恩慈良善  
信实温和和节制  
这些都是圣灵的果子

亲爱的圣灵在我心  
教导安慰使我结果子  
天天有喜乐在我心  
勇敢站稳爱人如己

[RAP]  
我有仁爱、喜乐、和平和忍耐  
恩慈、良善、信实和温柔  
不不不要忘记还有节制  
这些都是圣灵的果子