

1 Peter – Introduction

Points to Consider

1. The Faithful Faithless One
2. The Courageous Coward
3. The Sinful Saint

The Faithful Faithless One

Matt 4:18-20 - When Jesus called Peter to be a disciple, he _____ left his job to follow Jesus.

Matt 8:18-25 The life of a disciple was not a life of comfort. It was a life of sacrifice. It requires great _____ to make great sacrifices.

Matt 12:1 tells us that the disciples were plucking grain on the Sabbath because they were _____.

When Jesus fed the multitudes, the disciples were out of food too!

In Matthew 21:18 Jesus cursed a fig tree because he was hungry and found no figs on it. If Jesus was hungry, I imagine His disciples were as well.

Following Jesus was _____. They woke up early and stayed up late. They often found themselves exhausted from the day's activities.

Matt 19:23-27 - Peter and the other Apostles left _____ to follow Jesus. Jesus assured Peter that he would be rewarded for his faith.

Matt 16:13-16 - Peter confessed his _____ that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of the living God.

John 6:66-69 - Peter had no desire to leave the only one with the words of eternal life.

Matt 14:28-32 Even though Peter exhibited great amounts of faith, on occasions, he proved to be a man of _____ faith.

The Courageous Coward

Mark 14:27-31; John 18:1-4; John 18:10

Peter not only had the _____ to make bold statements, he had the courage to follow through when he cut Malchus' ear off.

John 18:25-27 - Peter's courage _____ fast when he was separated from Jesus. As the Lord foretold, Peter denied Him three times.

John 20:19-20 - Peter and the other disciples were behind closed doors because they were of the Jews.

Acts 4:18-22 - After seeing the resurrected Lord and receiving the Holy Spirit, Peter's courage and grew until his death.

The Sinful Saint

Luke 5:8; Gal 2:11-13 Peter's lack of courage at times caused him to _____.

Why does this matter?

1 Peter 1:6-7 - Peter knew from personal experience how trials test the _____ of your faith.

1 Peter 1:15-16 - Spending three years with Jesus taught Peter a lot about being holy. Throughout the book Peter spends time praising His friend and Savior.

1 Peter 2:13-15 - The one who cut off the ear of one sent by the high priest _____ to the point where he tells us to submit to every ordinance of men.

1 Peter 2:21 - Peter saw first-hand how Jesus handled _____.

1 Peter 3:15-17 - Peter became a lot more _____ in his approach as he grew in the Lord.

1 Peter 4:7-8 - Peter _____ to be watchful in his prayers when Jesus told him to "watch and pray" to avoid temptation.

Peter knew firsthand how love _____ a multitude of sins.

1 Peter 5:5-7 - The one who used to argue about who would be greatest in the kingdom reminds us to be clothed with _____.

1 Peter 5:8-10 - The one who Satan sifted as wheat tells us to be sober and vigilant as we _____ our adversary.