



246 12 Ordinary Men

lesson 3 - Peter

I. Peter- The LEADER

- A. His name was Simon, but Jesus referred to him as Peter (which means "The ROCK")
- B. Always the FIRST one listed when the disciples are mentioned
 - *besides Jesus, his name appears the most in the NT
- C. It was Peter who Jesus said that the church would be built on (**Matthew 16:17-19**)

II. What Makes a Leader?

- A. Peter was BOLD about what he believed (**Matthew 16:13-16**)
- B. Peter didn't WAIT for others to "step up to the plate" (**Luke 23:49-50**)
- C. He was a leader who was willing to FOLLOW (he followed Christ)
 - of all the disciples, he spent the most time with Jesus
- D. Peter was always asking questions because he wanted to gain more KNOWLEDGE
- E. Peter was willing to be DIFFERENT, not caring what others thought
 - *that is what draws people to something or someone, good or bad
 - ex. When people try new styles of clothing
- F. Peter was able to handle FAILURE and still be able to SUCCEED

**"No disciple is so frequently rebuked by the Lord as Peter; and no disciple ever rebukes the Lord except Peter. No one else confessed Christ more boldly or acknowledged His lordship more explicitly; yet no other disciple ever verbally denied Christ as forcefully or as publicly as Peter did. No one is praised or blessed by Christ the way Peter was; yet had harsher things to say to Peter than He ever said to any of the others."*

*He was willing to ADMIT when he made mistakes (**Luke 5:1-11**)

-when people see the end result as being good, they will follow

Ask Yourself...

- A. Where can I be a leader?
- B. What area do I need to work on the most to be a godly leader?