

The Life Of Peter

Lesson Three: Peter Becomes An Apostle

Lesson Aim: To see Peter's growth in his relationship with Jesus from disciple to an apostle to a part of Jesus' inner circle

Lesson Texts: Luke 6:12-16; Luke 8:40-42, 49-56; Luke 9:1-6; Matthew 14:22-33

1. Peter selected to one of the Twelve

a. *Read Luke 6:12-16*

b. What did Jesus do before he chose the twelve? Discuss why this is important.

c. What did he call them and what does that mean?

d. Who is named first? Find other lists and tell what you discover there.

e. Thought Question: Would you have chosen Peter for this responsibility? Explain.

f. What did Jesus do immediately following this selection? Why is this significant?

2. Peter Among The Privileged Three

a. *Read Luke 8:40-42 and 49-56*

b. Tell all that you can about the situation with Jairus' daughter?

c. What news did they receive as they were on their way to his home?

d. What did Jesus promise Jairus?

e. Whom did Jesus allow in the house with him? Can you guess why?

f. Describe the scene in and around the house

g. What did Peter see Jesus do – and what do you suppose his reaction was?

3. Peter Commissioned With The Twelve

a. *Read Luke 9:1-6*

- b. What power and authority did Jesus give the Twelve?
- c. What did he send them out to do?
- d. What instructions of a personal nature did he give them?
- e. What were they to do if rejected? What does this mean?

4. Peter on the water

- a. *Read Matthew 14:22-33*
- b. After feeding the 5,000 – where did Jesus send the disciples?
- c. Where did Jesus go, and what was his purpose?
- d. Where were the disciples between 3 and 6 in the morning? What were they doing?
- e. What did they think when they saw Jesus approaching?
- f. How did Jesus calm them?
- g. What commendable qualities do we see in Peter in this event?
- h. Tell all that happened to Peter and why?
- i. What happened when they were in the boat and what was their reaction?