

PETER ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Jesus Walks on the Water (Mark 6:45–52; John 6:15–21)

Matthew 14:28-29, “Peter said to Him, ‘Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water ... And He said, ‘Come!’ And Peter got out of the boat, and walked on the water and came toward Jesus.”

The Heart of Man

Matthew 15:15, “Peter said to Him, ‘Explain the parable to us’.”

Peter’s Confession of Christ (Mark 8:27–30; Luke 9:18–20)

Matthew 16:16, 18, “Simon Peter answered, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God’ ... I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gate of Hades will not overpower it.”

Jesus Foretells His Death (Mark 8:31–33; Luke 9:21–22)

Matthew 16:22-23, “Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, ‘God forbid it, Lord! This shall never happen to You’ ... But He turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind Me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to Me; for you are not setting your mind on God’s interests, but man’s’.”

The Transfiguration

Matthew 17:1, 4, “Six days later Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up on a high mountain by themselves ... Peter said to Jesus, ‘Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, I will make three tabernacles here, one for You, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah’.”

Forgiveness

Matthew 18:21, “Then Peter came and said to Him, Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to seven times?”

The Disciples’ Reward

Matthew 19:27, “Then Peter said to Him, ‘Behold, we have left everything and followed You; what then will there be for us?’”

After The Last Passover (Mark 14:27–31; Luke 22:31–34; John 13:36–38)

Matthew 26:33, 35, “But Peter said to Him, even though all may fall away because of You, I will never fall away’ ... Peter said to Him, ‘Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You.’ All the disciples said the same thing too.”

The Garden of Gethsemane (Mark 14:32–42; Luke 22:39–46)

Matthew 26:37, 40, “And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and distressed ... And He came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, ‘So, you men could not keep watch with Me for one hour?’”

Jesus before Caiaphas (Mark 14:53–65; Luke 22:66–71; John 18:12–14, 19–24)

Matthew 26:58, “But Peter was following Him at a distance as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and entered in, and sat down with the officers to see the outcome.”

Peter's Denials (Mark 14:66–72; Luke 22:54–62; John 18:15–18, 25–27)

Matthew 26:69, 73, 75, “Now **Peter** was sitting outside in the courtyard, and a servant-girl came to him and said, ‘You too were with Jesus the Galilean’ ... A little later the bystanders came up and said to **Peter**, ‘Surely you too are *one* of them; for even the way you talk gives you away ... And **Peter** remembered the word which Jesus had said, ‘Before a rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.’ And he went out and wept bitterly.”

THIS IS THE INVITATION

The Bible is clear. God and His Scheme of Redemption for man. The good news of Jesus’ life, death, burial, and resurrection. Jesus, born of a virgin, both God and man on earth. Jesus lived a perfect life, and through obedience proved Himself to be the only sacrifice for mankind. He shed His blood for our sins. He died and was buried, rose on the third day. His resurrection constituted the victory over death and sin. He ascended to heaven, and is on His throne as King, High Priest, and Mediator for mankind. This is why God demands that we respond to the Gospel. We must accept the facts of the one and only good news (to HEAR, BELIEVE, we must REPENT of our sins, turn away, we must CONFESS Jesus as the only Son of God, and we MUST BE BAPTIZED to have our sins washed away). The part when man obeys God’s Scheme of Redemption for mankind.