

# WHAT PETER LEARNED

## CONSIDERING WHAT PETER LEARNED AND WHEN

*"And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee.  
And he saith, Master, say on."*

~ Luke 7:40

### 1. Learning About Peter

- a. Peter was a man of action, zeal, commitment - Acts speaks of him (and Paul)
- b. Peter spoke more than any disciple: half, bold assertions - half, questions - Jn 13:37
- c. *"the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak"* - Matt 26:31-35, 40-41, 58, 75
- d. Questions: Matt 14:28, 15:15, 18:21, 19:27, Mark 13:3, John 13:6, 13:23, 18:10-11
- e. He believed and was sure of this → John 6:68-69. He loved the Lord - John 21:7
- f. We witness Peter failing often. We witness Peter learning often.
- g. We can learn much dispensationally by studying what Peter learned and when.

### 2. Peter Learns Jesus Must Die

- a. "Whom say ye that I am?" - Peter knew this - Matt 16:15-18
- b. "whatsoever thou shalt bind ..." - He had not yet learned about this - Matt 16:19
- c. "From that time forth... he must... be killed" - Peter learned this for the first time
- d. Peter tried to exercise his power to bind and loose (FAIL) - Matt 16:22-23
- e. Peter learned Jesus must die - but did not understand why - Mark 9:32, Luke 18:34

### 3. Lessons After the Resurrection

- a. They did not yet know that he must rise - John 20:2-4, 9
- b. *"He is risen... Tell Peter"* - Mark 16:6-13, Jesus upbraided Peter - Mark 16:14
- c. Jesus opened Peter's understanding to understand scriptures - Luke 24:45-47
- d. Peter learned about the kingdom of God, but not when - Acts 1:3, 6-7

### 4. Learning Every Nation is Accepted

- a. Peter learned that God could cleanse unclean things - Acts 10:9-17, 11:12
- b. Peter rejects his worship and prostration, and asks, why am I here? - Acts 10:25-29
- c. Peter understands God is not respecting Jews over Gentiles - Acts 10:30-35
- d. Another question from Peter - Acts 10:44-48

### 5. Learning Gentiles Saved By Grace Without Law

- a. The issue was circumcision/law and salvation - Acts 15:1, 5-6
- b. Peter stands up confirms what they know and asks a question - Acts 15:7-11
- c. "Then the multitude gave audience to Barnabas and Paul" - Acts 15:12

## **6. What We Learn from Peter**

- a. Peter ministered Christ before he learned of his death/resurrection
- b. Peter ministered with Christ without understanding the scriptures
- c. Peter ministered by the Holy Ghost in Acts 1-5 not to Gentiles by grace w/o law
- d. What Peter learned in Acts 10, 15 - Paul already knew. 2 Peter 3:15-16