

## **1 Peter: Living for God in a Sinful World**

*A Man Called Peter*

1 Peter 1:1

**This letter is from Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 1:1)**

### **A) Brief Biography**

**A.1) A “blue collar” family man (Acts 4:13)**

**A.2) A pre-eminent Apostle of Jesus Christ (Matt 16:17-18)**

There is no record of anyone being named Peter before Jesus invented this name for Simon.

Peter was no pope, but a pre-eminent Apostle (Rev 21:14).

Peter was the author of the Gospel of Mark

### **B) Lessons from the Life of Peter**

**B.1) From Coward to Courage by the Spirit of God**

Denied Christ 3 times in the Gospels (Matt 26:74-75).

Fearlessly preached Christ in Acts (5:27-42).

**B.2) An Apostle by the Grace of God**

Peter the Apostle sinned again in Antioch because of his fear of man (Gal 2:11-13)

### **Applications**

**1) The power of the Holy Spirit will give you whatever you need. (Acts 1:4-5, 8)**

**2) God is for you. (Rom 8:31)**

Discussion ?'s

1) What was most meaningful to you about the Sunday message?

2) What aspect of Peter's life can you identify with? Passive aggressive personality? Fear of man? Experiencing the grace of God?

3) How has the Holy Spirit changed your life?

4) When has your fear of people led you into sin?