

Conclusion to the Series – God Uses Ordinary People”

PETER'S INSPIRATIONAL COMEBACK

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John 21:1-19 (NIV)

1 Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Tiberias. It happened this way: **2** Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. **3** "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. **4** Early in the

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morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. **5** He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. **6** He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. **7** Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his

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outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. **8** The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. **9** When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread. **10** Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." **11** Simon Peter climbed aboard and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but

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even with so many the net was not torn. **12** Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. **13** Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. **14** This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead. **15** When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me more than these?"

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Lord," he said, "you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." **16** Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep." **17** The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep.

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18 I tell you the truth, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." **19** Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"

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"Don't ever give up!"

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- ***"I don't know Jesus!"***
- ***"I swear to God I don't know him!"***
- ***"May God strike me dead, if I know the man!"***

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Jesus said, "Whoever ***denies Me*** before men, him will ***I deny*** before ***my Father*** Who is in Heaven!"

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"The tomb is empty! The stone was ***rolled away!*** The ***grave clothes*** are ***still there,*** but ***He's not!!*** We saw ***angels - two*** of them - and they said, ***'He is not here! He has risen!*** Go tell the ***disciples,*** and ***Peter,*** that He is ***alive!"***

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1 Corinthians 15:3b-5,
"Christ ***died for our sins,*** according to the scriptures; that He was ***buried;*** that He was ***raised*** on the ***third day,*** according to the scriptures; and ***then*** He ***appeared*** to ***Peter;*** and then to ***the twelve!"***

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Luke 24:34,
 "They told the disciples, '***The Lord has risen!***' And the disciples said, 'The Lord has ***risen indeed***, and He has ***appeared*** to Simon Peter'"

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Peter ***knew*** Jesus "***was alive***", and he ***knew*** that he was "***not forsaken***". He ***knew*** The Lord "***still wanted him***" on His team!

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One ***little girl*** described ***resurrection*** in "***one word***". She said, '***Resurrection*** means, ***surprise!!***'

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"Am I ***still worthy*** of being ***his disciple***? Does God ***really want me***, and ***trust me***, after ***all the times*** I've made ***mistakes?***"

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John 21:1-3,
 "Afterward, Jesus ***appeared again*** to His disciples, by the Sea Of Tiberius. It ***happened this way***; Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus), Nathaniel (from Cana in Galilee), the sons of Zebedee, and

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two other disciples were together. 'I'm going out to fish', Simon Peter told them. And, they said, 'We'll go with you.' So, they went out and ***got into*** the boat, but that night they ***caught nothing***."

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"ANY FISH, BOYS?"

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"This is the only **true fish story** ever told!"

Jay Vernon McGee, Preacher

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This is the
**"Last recorded
miracle"** of Jesus!

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Jesus said,
"Bring some of **the fish**
you have **just caught!**"

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The Bible says, "God does
exceedingly more than
all we **ask** or **imagine!**"

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John 21:12,
"Jesus said to them, '**Come**, and
have breakfast.' None of the
disciples **dared** ask Him, '**Who**
are you?', because they **knew** it
was The Lord!"

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1 Corinthians 15:6,
 "He was seen by 500
people at once, and yet
some of them **doubted.**"

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John says, "It ***doesn't***
yet appear what we
shall be; but ***we*** shall
 be like ***him!***"

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1 Corinthians 15: 51-53
 I tell you a ***mystery***; we shall ***not all sleep***.
 We shall be ***changed*** in a ***flash***, in the
twinkling of an ***eye***, at the ***last trumpet!***
 The ***dead*** will be ***raised imperishable***; and
 we will be ***changed***, because this ***perishable***
body will be ***replaced*** by an ***imperishable,***
eternal body!"

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The Scripture says we'll
 have "new
resurrected bodies!"

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The Bible says, "***Now***, we see
through a glass ***darkly***, but
then, we are going to see ***face***
 to ***face!*** ***Now***, we ***know*** in
part, but ***then***, we shall ***know***,
 even as, ***also***, we are ***known.***"

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John 21:15, "When they had
finished eating, Jesus said to
 Simeon Peter, 'Simeon, Son Of
 John, do you ***truly*** love me
more than these?"

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"You are **only** as
sick as **your**
secrets!"
Alcoholics Anonymous

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John 21:15,
"Yes, Lord he said, you
know that ***I love you!***"

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"Do you **agapa** me?
(Do you love me with **all**
your heart?)

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Peter ***responded*** with the
word "**Phileo**". (The root word
of ***philanthropist***;
"Philadelphia" - ***friendship***)

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John 21:18-19, "I tell you the ***truth***; when you
were ***younger*** you **dressed yourself** and
went where you **wanted**. But when you are
old you will stretch out your hands, and
someone else will ***dress*** you, and **lead you**,
where you do ***not*** want to ***go***.' Jesus said this
to ***indicate*** the **kind of death** by which
Peter would ***glorify god***. Then He said to him,
'follow me.'"

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- ACTS 2 - Peter ***preaches*** to thousands!
- ACTS 3 - Peter & John ***heal*** a man!
- ACTS 4 - Peter & John are ***jailed*** for preaching!
- ACTS 5 - Peter's ***shadow heals*** people!
- ACTS 10 - Peter ***preaches*** to the first ***Gentile***
- ACTS 12 - Peter is ***miraculously*** released from ***prison*** by an ***angel!***

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1 Peter 2:24, "He, ***Himself*** (Jesus) ***bore our sins*** in His body, on the ***tree*** so that ***we*** might ***die*** to ***sins*** and ***live*** for ***righteousness***; by ***His wounds*** you have been ***healed!***"

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***ONE SIMPLE LESSON
TODAY:***

"Jesus Christ can ***resurrect us*** from the ***grave of defeat!***"

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"He, himself, bore our sins in his body, on the tree, so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness! By his wounds, you have been healed!"

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Jesus Christ ***died on the cross*** for ***every sin*** you have ***ever committed!***

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"What was" the "greatest comeback" in all of history?

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