

Studying the Word of GOD Actively on Tuesday

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The Bible Teaches Me to Follow Jesus



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Prayer: Dear God,

Thank you for calling us to follow you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

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Parent Link: Pray as you begin and end.

Each week you will be given a bible story to read to your child(ren). If your child is learning to read this is a good time for them to practice; and you can reread for understanding and answering the questions. Activities are to help children understand and remember the facts of the story.

There maybe links to Youtube for children to watch; these are visuals and songs to help them retell the story.

Always review last week’s lesson.

Be creative!

Resources: International Children’s Bible; New King James Version; Route 52- Week Bible Journey; Sermons4Kids; Ministry to Children; DTLK and youtube.

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The Twelve Disciples

Matthew 10 and Luke 5

Peter: (Greek: *Petros* meaning ‘Rock’) – Peter was one of the most prominent of the 12 Disciples. He was a natural spokesperson and also the leader of the early Christian church. His

Original Hebrew name was Simon, a common popular Hebrew name. Jesus gave him a name ‘*Kephas*’, an Aramaic name. John translated into it Greek ‘*Petros*’ meaning Rock. (John 1:42 – “you will be called *Cephas*.”)



Peter

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Peter was a native of Bethsaida (John 1:44 New King James Version **44** Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.), was the brother of Andrew and lived in a fishing town- Capernaum. (Mark 1:29 New King James Version **29** Now as soon as they had come out of the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.)

He was a **fisherman by occupation on the Sea of Galilee**. He was a married man. (Mark 1:29-31 New King James Version **Peter's Mother-in-Law Healed** **29** Now as soon as they had come out of the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. **30** But Simon's wife's mother lay sick with a fever, and they told Him about her at once. **31** So He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and immediately the fever left her. And she served them., **1 Cor 9:5** New King James Version **5** Do we have no right to take along a believing wife, as *do* also the other apostles, the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas?)

Matthew 16:13-14 New King James Version **Peter Confesses Jesus as the Christ**

13 When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?" **14** So they said, "Some *say* John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

"When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' "They replied, 'Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.'" Can you believe that? Some people thought Jesus was John the Baptist or one of the old prophets coming back to life.

Matthew 16:15-16 New King James Version **15** He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

16 Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

"But what about you?" He asked. "Who do you say I am?"

Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

Why did Jesus ask His disciples who they thought He was?

Jesus didn't want His disciples to just listen to what other people said about Him. Jesus knows that we all have to decide who we think Jesus is for ourselves. We can't come to church and be Christians just because our parents or grandparents want us to. And we can't believe in Jesus just because other people believe in Him. We have to believe in Jesus because we want to believe in Jesus for ourselves.

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Matthew 16:17-18 New King James Version **17** Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven. **18** And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not [a]prevail against it.

"Jesus replied, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by My Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.'"

Jesus said that He would build His church on the rock.

Peter and His belief that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God. That's the most important thing we have to believe about Jesus: that He's God's Son and that He came to save us. That's the first thing and the most important thing that the church has to believe, so that goes on the bottom and holds the rest of the church up. So, remember, you have to decide to believe in Jesus for yourself and not just listen to what other people say about Him or believe in Him because other people do. And the most important thing to believe is that Jesus is God's Son and that He came to save us.

Family Study: 4-12 years of Age

1. Jesus changed Simon's name to?
2. Andrew's brother's name?
3. What was their occupation?
4. Who was healed in Mark 1:29-31?
5. What question did Jesus ask the disciples?
6. Who said "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God".
7. Why was the question and answer so important?
8. What is Jesus building on the Rock?
9. We must believe?