Peter

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Introduction

- A bumpy road doesn't mean there is <u>no hope</u> for a good ending!
- The letters of Peter are a compilation of <u>life lessons</u> after <u>walking with Jesus</u>.

1. Simon is the fisherman.

- He is sometimes called Simon relating to his <u>earthly</u> identity. Mark 1:29, Luke 5:3, 10
- He is called Simon relating to his <u>sinful</u> identity.
- Jesus calls him his <u>old name</u> when he acts like his <u>old self</u>.

2. Simon Peter shows us the man in transition.

• John calls him Simon Peter <u>17 times</u>.

3. Peter is the <u>rock</u>, the picture of what a <u>solid believer</u> should be.

- Yes! Peter failed but his failure was not final.
- Peter is always <u>named first</u> in the <u>lists</u> of apostles.
- His final words are "grow in the grace and knowledge..." 2 Peter 3:18

Application:

 Have you come to the conclusion that life is best when you see yourself the way Jesus sees you?