



## Practice of Faith

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Peter spoke from personal experience about the mercy of God. Peter, chosen by Jesus to lead the disciples, denied Jesus. He failed to stand with Jesus as our Lord sacrificed himself on the cross. Yet, Jesus forgave Peter and sent him on mission to share God's mercy. Peter preached to those who condemned Jesus and offered them the gift of God's salvation. God's forgiveness is without condition. He pursues lost sheep. He is always the Good Shepherd who will never abandon us when we stray. Are you following the example of Peter when others sin? Reflect on your own beliefs about God's forgiveness:

Do you judge others who have sinned and think they should not be forgiven?

Do you forgive others who have offended you and offer them the peace of God's mercy?

Spend time reflecting on the mercy of God and give Him thanks.