

## **Strong Tower Bible Study**

### **Agenda**

#### **Fall in Love with Jesus Series**

#### **Lesson 2**

**Time 6:00pm -7:30pm**

**Topic: Simon Peter & Jesus**

#### **Welcome**

#### **Opening Prayer**

**Scripture text: Matthew 4:18** “As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen.

**John 1:40** “Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus.

**1 Corinthians 1:12** “What I mean is this: One of you says, “I follow Paul”; another, “I follow Apollos”; another, “I follow Cephas”; still another, “I follow Christ.”

#### **Things to know:**

- Simon Peter was the brother of Andrew
- Peter-The Greek form of the Aramaic surname *Cephas*
- Simon Peter was known as a friend, disciple and Apostle
- His mother’s name was Jonah-John 21:15
- Simon Peter was naturally impulsive-Matthew 14:28, 17:4 John 21:7
- Simon Peter was tender-hearted and affectionate-Matthew 26:75, John 13:9, 21:15-17

#### **Other Character traits of Simon Peter**

- Gifted with spiritual insight-John 6:68
- Sometimes slow to grasp deeper truths-Matthew 15:15-16

- Courageous in his confession of faith in Christ, yet guilty of denial-Matthew 16:16, John 6:68-69, Mark 14:67.....Mark 14:67-71
- Self-sacrificing yet inclined towards self-seeking Matthew 19:27
- Presumptuous at times-Matthew 16:22, John 13:8
- Immovable in his convictions-Acts 4:19-20, 5:28-29, 40 and 42
- He was restored back to Jesus after His resurrection and recommissioned John 21:15-17

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. Which one of Simon Peter's Character traits can you identify with? How?
2. Why do you think Jesus chose Simon Peter?
3. How can our Character flaws be used to glorify God?
4. Has Jesus worked out a flaw in you that is now part of your testimony to others?
5. What made Simon Peter a "good" disciple?
6. What makes you a disciple Jesus can use?

**Reflection Moment:** *Surrendering our Will is not just agreeing with the Truth while still trying to hold on to control. Let Go and trust His sovereign control.*

### **Faith in Action:**

- Remember the Mercy of God and the Forgiveness of Christ.
- Set an alarm on your phone to pray at a set time and protect that time.
- Take a 30 minute break from your cell phone.
- Reach out to a loved one and invite them to Worship with you.
- Go for a walk and observe God in nature.
- Make time to be available to witness to someone about the Love of God and the forgiveness that comes through receiving Christ as Lord and Savior.

**Scripture Application:**

**John 3:31-36**-What does it mean to “Abide” in Jesus?

What “Truth” is Jesus speaking of?

What does it mean to be “Free” in Christ

**John 13:34-35**-What are disciples commanded to do?

How can we live this out? Why?

**John 15:16-17**-What fruit are disciples expected to bear?

**Closing Prayer:**