

Wild Man Disciples

The Original "Peter Principles"

John 21:1-23

BREAKFAST WITH JESUS

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His foolish **pride**
Mark 14:27-31, Luke 22:31-34 & John 13:36-38/ Proverbs 11:2 & 16:18

His colossal **failure**
Matthew 26:69-75 & John 18:15-27

An Early Morning Fish Fry

John 21:1-23/ See also Matthew 28:9-10

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To Become A "Wild Man" Disciple, I Must. . .

Face my **past – and then **move on**.**
1 John 1:8-10 / Revelation 12:10 & 1 John 2:1-2/ Jeremiah 18:1-10/ Matthew 9:11-13

Discover my **primary calling and **fulfill** it.**
Mark 1:14-18 & John 21:15-18/ 1 Corinthians 7:17-24/ 1 Peter 2:11-12 & 3:15-16

Worry about **my own stuff – not **everyone else's assignment**.**
Matthew 7:1-5/ 1 Samuel 3:12-13 & Proverbs 19:18/ 1 Corinthians 5:9-13/ 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

OUR SPIRITUAL RESPONSIBILITY TREE:

Myself, then **My Family**, then **My Spiritual Family**, then **My World**.

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Growth Group Homework

For the week of April 15, 2007

QUICK REVIEW: Looking back over your sermon notes from *Wild Man Disciples*, which particular point or passage of Scripture most challenged, confused, or caught your attention?

MY STORY

1. We heard about Peter's denial of Christ this weekend. Can you think of any situations you've been in where it would have been easy for you to downplay the fact you were a Christian?

2. When we think about getting involved in other people's lives, we can often go to one extreme or the other – either putting our nose into places it doesn't belong or not getting involved even when that is the appropriate response. Can you think of a time when you were too involved or not involved enough in someone's life? If so, explain.

Would you say you are a person who tends to be too involved with others or not involved enough?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Peter didn't stand strong when the pressure was on. In Daniel 3, we read about three of Daniel's friends who did stand strong in a similar situation. After reading Daniel 3:10-30, identify any similarities you see between this situation and Peter's situation.

What do you think helped these guys not give in when told to deny God?

2. David wrote two Psalms in response to being confronted about his adultery with Bathsheba and subsequent murder of her husband. These Psalms can serve as great guides for helping us face our past and move on. What do each of these passages teach us about how David felt about his failures, how he responded, and how God related to him?

Psalms 32:1-5

Psalms 51:1-12

What is most helpful to you from these two Psalms in dealing with your past?

What other things have you found helpful in processing your past and moving on?

3. The Bible gives us a number of guidelines for when it's appropriate to become involved in other people's lives. Read the following verses and identify when we're supposed to get involved with others and the manner in which we are to get involved.

Matthew 18:15

Matthew 5:23-24

Galatians 6:1-5

Our motives are an important part of this process. What are some good motives you can think of for getting involved with others? What are some wrong motives for involvement?

TAKING IT HOME

1. Is there anything in your life that you'd like prayer for that will help you face your past and then move on?

2. Is there a current situation in your life that you sense God is leading you to get more or less involved in? What steps do you need to take to move in that direction?



LAST ROUND OF WEEKEND OF SERVICE SIGN-UPS

On April 28-29, we're canceling all weekend services to go out and conduct over 90 community service projects at 54 locations in our surrounding cities. Don't get left behind! We need your help! Sign up in the plaza this weekend or online at www.weekendofservice.com.



WEEKEND OF SERVICE T-SHIRTS NOW AVAILABLE

Our t-shirts are selling like hot cakes! Don't forget to grab yours in the plaza this weekend (we're asking for a \$5 donation).