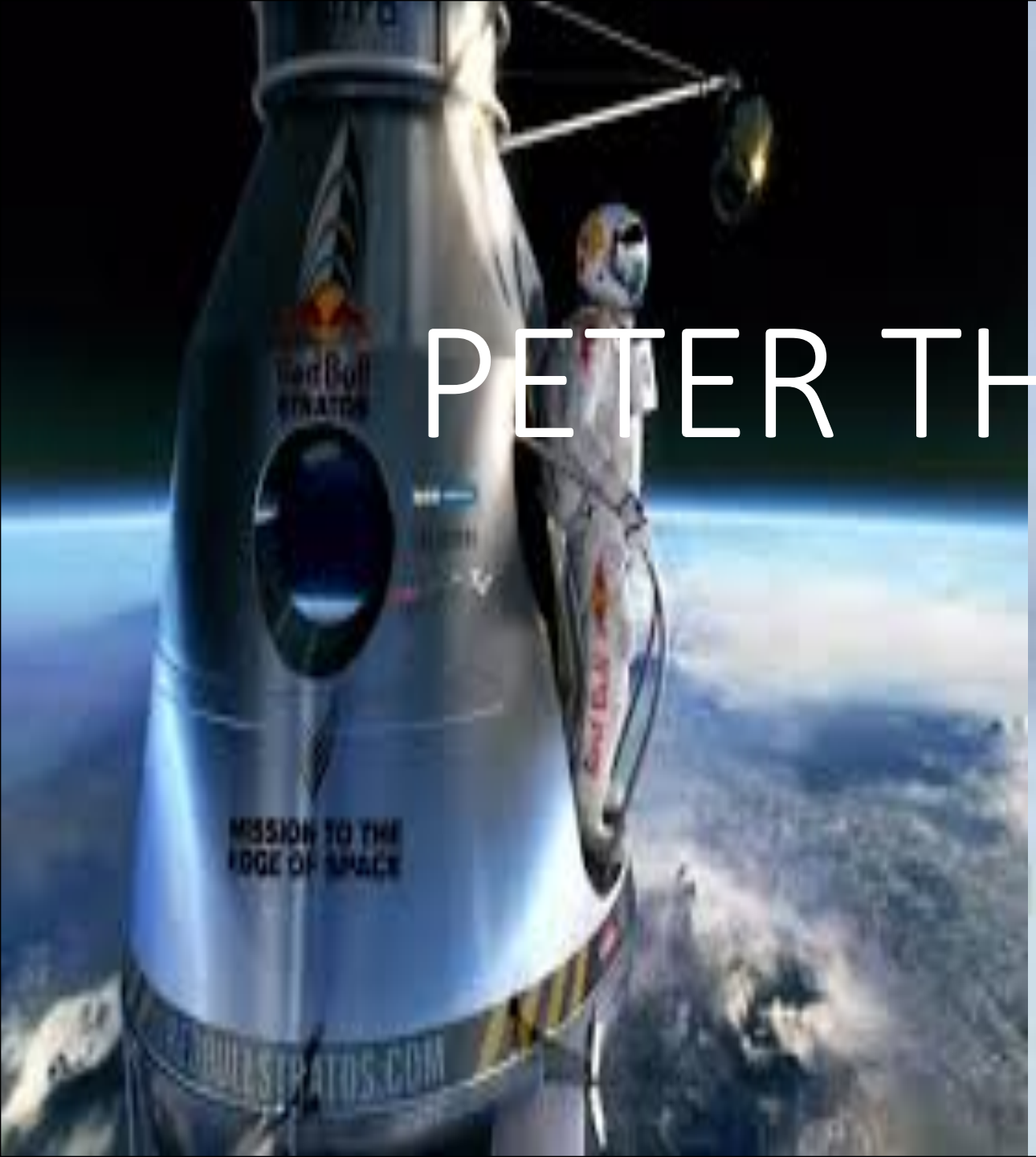
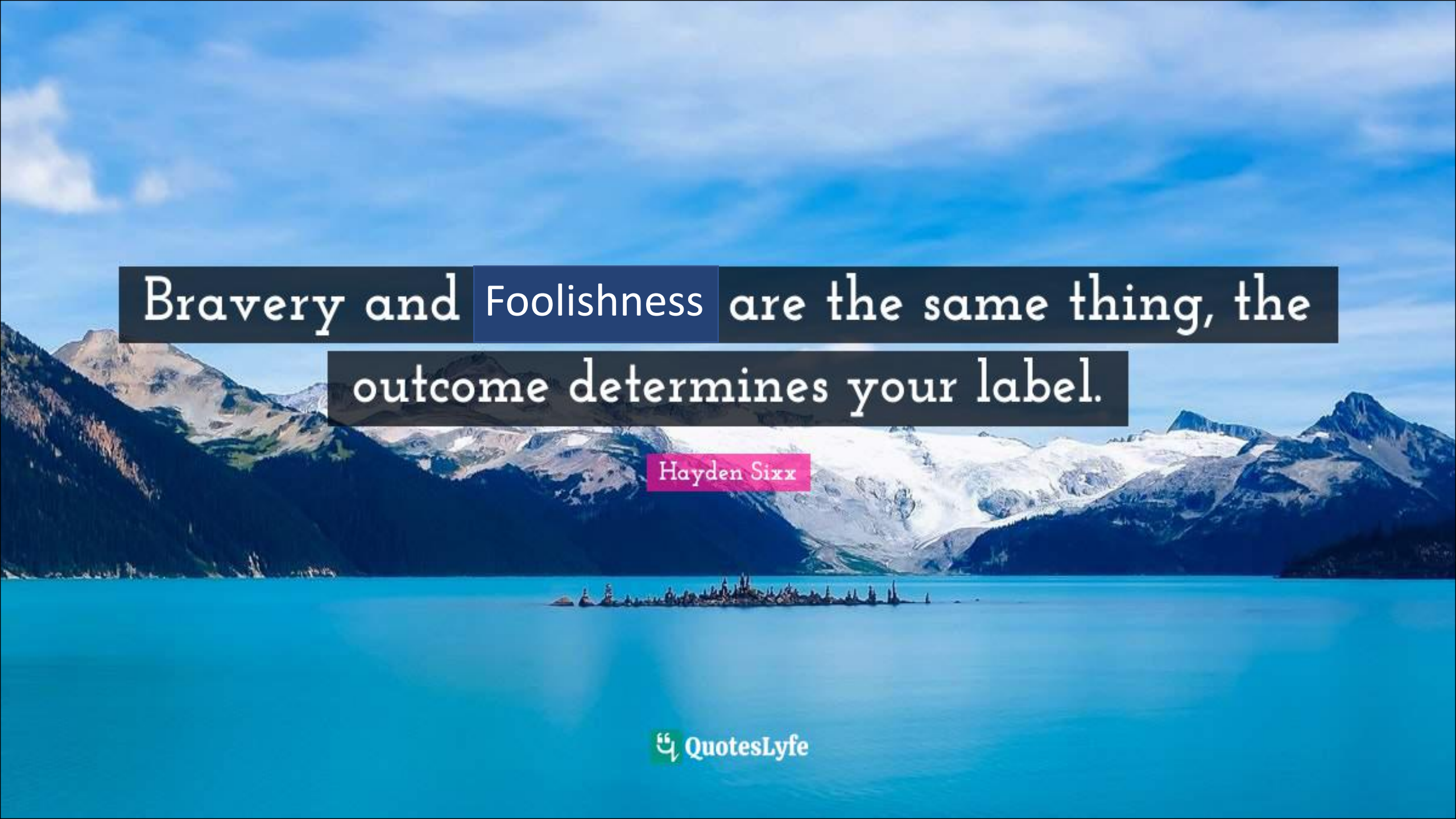
PETER THE BRAVE




Bravery and Foolishness are the same thing, the outcome determines your label.
Hayden Sixx
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Courage is knowing it might hurt,
and doing it anyway.

Foolishness is the same.

And that's why life is hard.

- Jeremy Goldberg

Luke 5:4-11

Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. [5] And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net. [6] And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake. [7] And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink. [8] When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord. [9] For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken: [10] And so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men. [11] And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

FISHING

- Fishing was their profession.
- They had been fishing all night and caught nothing.
- This man (Jesus) was a preacher, not a fisherman.

- Peter was still willing to listen to someone who knew things that he didn’t.
- Peter immediately understood the power of Jesus and its connection to him.
- He humbled himself immediately.
- He had confidence in the foresight of Jesus (follow Him) rather than his own foresight (following his own profession).

Proverbs 3:5-8

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart;
and lean not unto thine own understanding.
6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.
7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.
8 It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

Matthew 4:1-4

Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. 2 And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. 3 And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. 4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

MATTHEW 14:23-33

And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went
up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the
evening was come, he was there alone. 24 But the ship
was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves:
for the wind was contrary. 25 And in the fourth watch
of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea.
26 And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea,
they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried
out for fear. 27 But straightway Jesus spake unto them,
saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. 28 And
Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid
me come unto thee on the water. 29 And he said,
Come. And when Peter was come down out of the
ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. 30 But
when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and
beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. 31
And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and
caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith,
wherefore didst thou doubt? 32 And when they were
come into the ship, the wind ceased. 33 Then they that
were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of
a truth thou art the Son of God.

WALKING ON WATER

- These men (at least a number of them) were accustomed to being on the water.
- It was night, stormy, tempestuous, and on top of it all, there was a ghost chasing them.
- The ghost stated that it was Jesus (whom they had just left on the shore).

- Peter put his own life on the line to test the spirit claiming to be Jesus.
- Peter asked Jesus to bid (command) him to come out. Jesus' commands were unquestionable.
- Peter was the reason for his danger on the water, but he still knew who to turn to.
- Peter's doubt was a secondary lack of faith on his own part, not an initial lack of faith in Jesus. (Mark 6:51-52)

JOSHUA 10:12-14

Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day
when the LORD delivered up the Amorites
before the children of Israel, and he said in
the sight of Israel,
Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon;
and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon.
13 And the sun stood still, and the moon
stayed,
until the people had avenged themselves
upon their enemies.
Is not this written in the book of Jasher?
So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven,
and hasted not to go down about a whole
day.
14 And there was no day like that before it or
after it, that the LORD hearkened unto the
voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Israel.

Luke 17:3-9

Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass
against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive
him. 4 And if he trespass against thee seven times
in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to
thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him. 5
And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our
faith. 6 And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain
of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine
tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou
planted in the sea; and it should obey you. 7 But
which of you, having a servant plowing or feeding
cattle, will say unto him by and by, when he is
come from the field, Go and sit down to meat? 8
And will not rather say unto him, Make ready
wherewith I may sup, and gird thyself, and serve
me, till I have eaten and drunken; and afterward
thou shalt eat and drink? 9 Doth he thank that
servant because he did the things that were
commanded him? I trow not.

MARK 8:31-9:1

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. [32] And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him [, saying, “Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” Matthew 16:22]. [33] But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

[34] And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. [35] For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. [36] For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? [37] For what can a man give in return for his soul? [38] For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

[1] And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power.”

REBUKING JESUS/GOD

- Jesus was going to establish his kingdom.
- He had just shown that he was greater than John the Baptist and Elijah (John the Baptist was the greatest of men born to women, and Elijah did not die).
- The death of your leader means destruction for an establishment.

- Peter took Jesus aside (by himself) and did not rebuke him in front of others.
- Peter had concerns for his own life.
- Peter was willing to tell Jesus (who had walked on water and saved him from death) that He was wrong.
- Peter continued to follow Jesus after being compared to Satan and rebuked strongly.

1 SAMUEL 3:1,7,15-18

And the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; there was no open vision.

Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, neither was the word of the LORD yet revealed unto him.

And Samuel lay until the morning, and opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel feared to shew Eli the vision. 16 Then Eli called Samuel, and said, Samuel, my son. And he answered, Here am I. 17 And he said, What is the thing that the LORD hath said unto thee? I pray thee hide it not from me: God do so to thee, and more also, if thou hide any thing from me of all the things that he said unto thee. 18 And Samuel told him every whit, and hid nothing from him. And he said, It is the LORD: let him do what seemeth him good.

ACTS 4:5-13

And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes, 6 And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem. 7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this? 8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel, 9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole; 10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. 11 This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. 12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.
13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.

JOHN 20:1-9

The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. 2 Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him. 3 Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. 4 So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. 5 And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. 6 Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie, 7 And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. 8 Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. 9 For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.

FACING JESUS

- Peter had promised that he would not forsake Christ; that he would die with Christ.
- Peter ran away when Christ was taken, then denied him three times before people.
- Peter saw that Jesus saw him betray him.

- When Mary and the other women told the disciples that Jesus was gone, they did not believe them. Peter ran to the sepulchre.
- Peter had betrayed Jesus before his death, but desired to see Him again.

2 KINGS 8:12-15

And Hazael said, Why weepeth my lord? And he answered, Because I know the evil that thou wilt do unto the children of Israel: their strong holds wilt thou set on fire, and their young men wilt thou slay with the sword, and wilt dash their children, and rip up their women with child. 13 And Hazael said, But what, is thy servant a dog, that he should do this great thing? And Elisha answered, The LORD hath shewed me that thou shalt be king over Syria. 14 So he departed from Elisha, and came to his master; who said to him, What said Elisha to thee? And he answered, He told me that thou shouldest surely recover. 15 And it came to pass on the morrow, that he took a thick cloth, and dipped it in water, and spread it on his face, so that he died: and Hazael reigned in his stead.

JOHN 11:18-22, 32-37

Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off: 19 And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother. 20 Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house. 21 Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. 22 But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.

Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. 33 When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, 34 And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see. 35 Jesus wept. 36 Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him! 37 And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?

GALATIANS 2:9-13

And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision. [10] Only they would that we should remember the poor; the same which I also was forward to do. [11] But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed. [12] For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision. [13] And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation.

ADMITTING WRONG

- Peter was an apostle chosen by Jesus.
- Peter had been tasked with feeding Jesus' sheep.
- Peter became a stumbling block.

- Peter was rebuked publicly by the one that murdered Christians.
- Peter could have used any number of accolades to show why Paul was out of line.
- Peter called Paul his brother and showed the authority of his letter/epistles.

2 PETER 3:14-16

Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless. 15 And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; 16 As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

MARK 6:1-6

And he went out from thence, and came into his own country; and his disciples follow him. 2 And when the sabbath day was come, he began to teach in the synagogue: and many hearing him were astonished, saying, From whence hath this man these things? and what wisdom is this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands? 3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at him. 4 But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, but in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house. 5 And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed them. 6 And he marvelled because of their unbelief. And he went round about the villages, teaching.

THE FINAL ENCOUNTER
JOHN 21

- Nets on the other side: John 21:6 -> Luke 5:4-11 (sinful man)
- Bread and fishes: John 21:9 -> Mark 6:52 (hardened hearts)
- Walking on water: John 21:1 -> Matthew 14:25-23 (little faith, doubt)
- Fire of coals: John 21:9 -> John 18:16-18 (warmed at a fire of coals during betrayal)
- Three opportunities: John 21:15-17 -> John 18:15-27 (denied Jesus three times)
- Portend of death: John 21:18-19 -> Mark 8:31 – 9:1