



MESSIAH'S DISCIPLES MESSAGE

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“FEED HIS SHEEP”

John 21:17

Good Day Sisters and Brothers,

I pray your all doing well, it has been pretty quite since last weeks message so I know you're all busy out there.

Arkansas MD is growing with 20 members, please welcome the newest people who have submitted applications. Don & Carol Hutchings, Dino & Patty Hutchings, Jack & Lilly Freeman PTL !!

This week we got Debs bike its major tune up and mine is next week..it is warming up here in the Rocky Mountains and the Spring flowers are coming up. We will continue this week with another Disciple Peter... hope you enjoy.

Shortly after Judas betrayal another Disciple Peter sticks his foot in his mouth with all good intensions. Peter suggests, that he was not afraid of Satan, nor of his temptations, of being sifted, shaken, and tossed by him: he was not to be frightened out of his faith by him, or to be scared with a prison.... Lets read..

“Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to have all of you, to sift you like wheat. But I have pleaded in prayer for you, Simon, that your faith should not fail. So when you have repented and turned to me again, strengthen and build up your brothers.”

Peter said, “Lord, I am ready to go to prison with you, and even to die with you.” But Jesus said, “Peter, let me tell you something. The rooster will not crow tomorrow morning until you have denied three times that you even know me.” Luke 22:31-34

Some of us might define Peter's 3 denials of the Lord as failure. In Jesus' worst moments, Peter was denying he had any connection with the Lord even though a short time earlier that very evening, he had been adamant that he would never turn away from the Lord.

We can learn two very important lessons. First, failure isn't really failure until it is final. Peter was weak and stumbled, but with the Lord's help and the power of the Holy Spirit, he was triumphant in later life. We must never relegate anyone, not even ourselves, to the junk heap for letting the Lord down at one time or another.

He is always gracious and compassionate and will forgive our sin when we genuinely repent at the cross. Second, the Lord can use our failures to make us equipped to better serve others around us.

Lord, please forgive us for the times we've given up on one of your children because of his or her apparent failures in faith. Help us to be more caring to others and more committed to helping them see their opportunities to serve through the brokenness of their own stumblings.

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