

“Peter or Judas, Who Am I More Like?”

Luke 6:12-16

Introduction

- I. Peter and Judas had many similarities, but they also had some significant differences.
- II. A great portion of mankind can be seen in this lives of these two men.
- III. Of the two, which am I more like, Peter or Judas?

Discussion

- I. Similarities between Peter and Judas.
 - A. Both were selected by Jesus and were able to hear Him teach and work (Luke 6:12-16; Matt. 11:2-5; cf. Acts 1:21-22).
 - B. Both could perform miracles (Matt. 10:5-8).
 - C. Both made mistakes (Rom. 3:23).
 1. Peter (Mark 9:2-7; Matt. 14:28-31; 18:21-22; 26:51-53, 69-75; Gal. 2:11-12).
 2. Judas (John 12:3-6; Matt. 26:14-16).
 - D. Both were warned
 1. Peter (Luke 22:31-34).
 2. Judas (Matt. 26:21-25).
 - E. Both were sorrowful for their actions (2 Cor. 7:10).
 1. Peter (Matt. 26:75).
 2. Judas (Matt. 27:1-5).
- II. The big difference between Peter and Judas.
 - A. Peter became a great worker in the kingdom/church (Acts 2:14-2-36; 10:34-48; cf. John 21:18-18; 2 Pet. 1:13-14).
 - B. Judas never saw the kingdom/church come into existence (Matt. 27:1-5; Acts 1:18-20, 25).
- III. Which do we resemble the most?
 - A. Are we serving the Lord faithfully (Rev. 2:10; 2 Tim. 4:6-8; 2 Pet. 2:20-22)?
 - B. Are we making the changes that need to be made (Acts 3:19; 26:19-20)?
 - C. Will we be saved or lost?

Conclusion

- I. It is interesting to see similarities with those mentioned in the Bible.
- II. If we find that we are living similarly to those who were faithful, then we should continue to live similarly.
- III. If we find that we are not living similarly to those who were faithful, then we should cease following after them (cf. 1 Cor. 11:1).