

## BUILD ON ROCK

### Sermon Series from May To July 2024 Based on the life of the disciple Peter

This series takes us on a journey through the Gospels and Acts from the call of Peter to be a disciple of Jesus to his leadership of the early church. The intent of the series is to prompt thought about our individual journeys and the opportunities for us as a Minster community, drawing lessons and parallels from the life and experiences of Peter.

**5 May** Respond to the call. Introduction to the series. Matthew 4 v 18-22.

Jesus calls ordinary people to do extraordinary things. Peter responded to the call, not knowing where it might lead.

**12 May** Ask questions to understand. Matthew 19 v 16-30.

Peter kept asking questions to seek to understand. Jesus kept asking questions to draw people out.

**19 May** (Pentecost Sunday). Be ready to stand up. Acts 2 v 14-24.

What enabled the Peter the fisherman to grow to become Peter the leader of the Early Church?

**26 May** Say what you believe is true. Matthew 16 v 13-20.

Jesus asked his disciples 'who do people say the Son of Man is?' Simon Peter answered, 'you are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God'.

**2 June** Celebrate good moments Matthew 17 v 1-13.

Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here.'

**9 June** Learn from Mistakes. Matthew 26 v 31-54.

Peter replied to Jesus 'Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will.' Jesus answered, 'this very night, before the cock crows, you will disown me three times.'

**16 June** . Be open to taking on responsibility. John 21 v 1-19.

Jesus said to Peter 'feed my lambs, take care of my sheep, and feed my sheep.

**23 June**. Ensure your heart is right before God. Acts 8 v 9-25.

Peter answered you have no part or share in the ministry, because your heart is not right before God.

**30 June** Be ready to respond. Acts 9 v 32-43.

Peter took her by the hand and helped her to her feet.

**7 July** Keep listening and engaging. Acts 11 v 1-18.

Peter listened to, and engaged, with his critics and gave them a careful explanation

**14 July** Be ready to be surprised. Acts 12 v 1-18.

Peter kept on knocking. Be ready to keep on knocking and see which doors open

**21 July** Be Open to change your understanding. Acts 15 v 1-21.

Peter got up and addressed them, ...'God who knows the heart showed that he accepted them by giving the Holy Spirit to them, just as he did to us.'

Questions to reflect on

1. What stands out as you read each passage?
2. What is God saying to us through the passage?
3. What might we do as a result of reading this passage?

Written notes on the 12 topics have been provided to Home Group leaders for if Home Groups wish to discuss these themes.