



Day one:

read **John 1:40-42**

What's in a name? This question has become a cliché in our culture. Typically we use names as a way to distinguish one person from another. Sometimes we are given a name because our parents chose to name us after another family member or maybe it was because they just really liked the name. In this passage, Jesus renames Simon and calls him Peter. How does changing his name represent the change of who he becomes? Jesus knows your name. You are not a number or just another person to Him. He has called you by your name. How does that change your story? How does that change how you feel about who you are in Christ?

Day two:

read Matthew 16:13-20

Who do you say Jesus is? In this passage, Jesus asks them who they think he is. What is Peter's response? What stands out to you about the answer that Jesus gives Peter? How does this passage relate back to Jesus giving Simon the name Peter?

Day three:

read Luke 5:1-11

Have there been times in your life when you have worked and worked to accomplish something and felt as though you had nothing to show for it in the end? In these verses, Jesus illustrated His desire for those around Him to understand that there was more to be done than just catching fish. It was about capturing the hearts of the people. What part of this passage touches your heart the most?

Day four: read John 1:40-42 read Luke 22:54-62

These passages talk about Peter's pending denial of Christ. Have there been any moments in your life that have caused you to second guess your belief in Jesus? What were the circumstances? What caused you to turn your heart back to Jesus? How did it change your story?

Day five:

read Acts 2:14-21

In this passage Peter begins his journey to greatness. What changes do you see in Peter in these verses? Later in the chapter beginning in verse 31, Peter talks about the resurrection of Jesus. Peter's story of renewal and restoration is the springboard we can use for our own, as well as to help others, experience renewal and restoration. How can you celebrate the resurrection in your life?

next steps:

Write a short testimony. Send it to paul@jacobswellec.org.