

Peter

Icebreaker: Tell your group about a promise you made and kept.

Read Together: Matthew 16:13-19,

Discuss:

- Peter Spoke his mind, even when no one else would. Are you more outspoken or mild-mannered and keep opinions to yourself?
- ➤ Peter's confession became His calling! What was God calling Peter to do?
- > Do you realize that you have the authority of Jesus Christ? How can you walk that out in your current circumstances?

Read Together: Mark 8:31-33

Discuss:

- Zeal = emotionally reacting without thinking about the consequences. Talk about an example of reacting without thinking about the consequences.
- Name a few times in Scripture where Peter was Zealous.
- > Jesus corrected Peter because his mind was on the things of man. He wanted Jesus to do things the way he assumed they would be done. What do you expect God to do your way?
- * "The Holy Spirit has a way of correcting us while at the same time making us feel brilliant about ourselves." Graham Cooke. Talk about a time when you found this quote true in your life.

Read Together: 1 Peter 5:5, Romans 12:3 (AMP), 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 **Discuss:**

Peter was H.O.T. - Humble, Open, and Teachable. Humility = Deep awareness of one's own "littleness."

- ➤ Where do you see Humility showing up in your life?
- ➤ How would you describe an open person?
- ➤ How would you define Teachability?
- ➤ What is God's purpose for your life?
- What is your "Humbition"? ("Humbition" = Humble, God-oriented ambition)

Question to ponder:

Where in your thinking, speaking, and acting do you need to humbly invite the Holy Spirit to teach you, returning to a simple and genuine child-like faith?

Prayer: Father, please reveal how I need to see your plan over my opinion. Please show me where my zeal is off base. Please give me a zeal for the things you want. Please help me to have "Humbition" and a keen eye on where you are leading. I want to do your will and not assume what it should look like or dictate what I think you should be doing. Please help me to get in step with you and your ways. In Jesus' Name, Amen!