

Peter's Confession

Session 2024-41

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Hi Tweens,

Opening Prayer

We thank you that no situation is too far out of your control to provide. We thank you that you own it all, and hold everything in your hands. We thank you that you know our needs before we even ask, before we even come to you. In Jesus Name. Amen!



The story in this week's lesson "**Peter's Confession**" is from the book of Mark. Jesus then predicted His own death and Peter took issue with this. Jesus assured Peter that Jesus knew what was going to happen. This week as you teach, remember that Jesus is God's Son. Jesus, the Son of God, is the Messiah. As such, everyone must decide whether or not to believe that Jesus is the Messiah. **Enjoy this week's story!**

Bible Passage: Mark 8:27-33

Memory Verse: John 6:40a NIV

For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life,

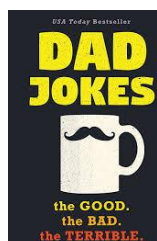
Bible Verse: Mark 6:34 NIV

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"

Peter answered, "You are the Messiah."

Text Truth: Everyone must decide whether to believe that Jesus is the Messiah.

Bible Skills Spotlight: Correlate prominent Bible people with the books in which their stories are recorded.



Q: What did the **pumpkin** say when it was surprised?

A: "Oh, my **gourdness!**"

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Here are your 3 random questions from the book "2000 Questions About Me":

1. Question 584: What does your typical breakfast look like? (*yogurt*)
2. Question 571: What is your favorite smell/scent? (*Pine*)
3. Question 1446: What's on your mind these days? (*The people affected by the hurricanes*)

- In our story this week, we once again find Jesus and His disciples on the move, this time traveling to Caesarea Philippi. Today's story is in Mark 8:27-33.
- Can you imagine what it would have been like to be traveling buddies with Jesus—to be one of His good friends while He walked on earth?
- I think it would have been very exciting and a little scary at the same time. I imagine we would have a lot of questions and probably not understand all of what Jesus did and why He did it, just like the disciples.
- In today's Bible story, Jesus asked His disciples a question. As they were walking, He asked them 'Who do people say that I am?' • Ask:
 - What would you say?

ENJOY THIS WEEK'S STORY!

Jesus and His disciples traveled to Caesarea Philippi. As they walked on the road, Jesus asked the disciples, "Who do people say that I am?"

The disciples answered, "Some say John the Baptist. Some say Elijah. Some say one of the other prophets."

"But you," Jesus asked the disciples, "who do you say that I am?"

"You are the Messiah." Simon Peter answered.



Then Jesus told the disciples not to tell anyone that He was the Messiah. It wasn't the right time.

After that, Jesus started telling the disciples that He, the Son of Man, would go to Jerusalem. He would suffer, be rejected by the religious leaders, be killed, and be raised from the dead on the third day.

Peter was shocked. He took Jesus aside and began to disagree with Jesus.

Jesus corrected Peter, "You are not thinking about God's concerns. You are thinking of man's concerns."

Jesus was preparing His disciples for the coming days. Everyone, including the religious leaders, would have to decide whether or not they believed that Jesus is the Messiah.

OPEN YOUR BIBLE TO THE BOOK OF MARK, CHAPTER 8

READ MARK 8:31-33

- Why do you think Peter was shocked by what Jesus shared would happen to Him?
- The most surprising part of the story might be that Peter took Jesus aside and disagreed with Him about Jesus' own future.
- What did Jesus remind Peter of?

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- Jesus reminded Peter that he was not thinking about things from God's perspective but from a human perspective. Jesus was kind by preparing the disciples for what was coming—His crucifixion.
- He knew they would be afraid and upset. He also knew they would all be faced with a decision as to whether or not they believed that He was the Messiah.

Remember our Text Truth: **Everyone must decide whether to believe that Jesus is the Messiah.**

- We also have to decide if we believe Jesus is the Messiah. And if we do, then we need to confess our sins and invite Him into our lives as our Lord and Savior. If you need to talk to someone about taking that step, please talk to me or another leader today. We would love to show you what the Bible says about it.

If you have any prayer requests, please send them to **cameronfamily10@gmail.com**. Remember to LAUGH, have a blessed week, watch, or come to church Sunday morning, call a friend, and try very hard in school this year, and remember

GOD LOVES YOU AND SO DO WE.

The Tween Teachers

Shine! every Wednesday. Kid friendly dinner at 5:30pm and program at 6:00pm.

Here is an excellent video from Stuart Scammell called "Peter's Confession:

<https://youtu.be/MgQBXHhGeAQ?si=gcotMwig4urFMcy8>

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WHO IS JESUS WORD SEARCH

Locate each of the words from today's Bible story in the word search.

WORD BANK:

Messiah	prophets
traveled	Peter
Jesus	road
disciples	Jerusalem
Elijah	people
John the Baptist	believe

J	O	H	N	T	H	E	B	A	P	T	I	S	T
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WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Because Jesus is God, one name isn't enough! The New Testament has at least 20 names for Jesus!

Messiah means "anointed one" or "Christ." Old Testament prophets spoke of Israel's coming Savior. Jesus' teaching and miracles proved He was the Messiah. But some Jews doubted Jesus. They thought Israel's Messiah would be a warrior, not a carpenter.

A few times in Mark's Gospel, Jesus was called the wrong name! His family said Jesus was "out of His mind." The Pharisees and Scribes called Him a "blasphemer." The disciples rightly called Jesus "teacher," but He was more than that. Peter was the first disciple to confess Jesus was the one the prophets spoke of—the true Messiah!

ANCIENT CUP COVER THAT SAYS, "JESUS IS THE MESSIAH"



MY ANSWER

Jesus asked Peter who Peter believed that Jesus was. Peter said Jesus was the Messiah. We also must decide if we believe Jesus is the Messiah. If a friend or family member asked you to tell them what you believe about Jesus, what would you say? LIST FIVE THINGS YOU WOULD TELL THEM YOU BELIEVE ABOUT JESUS.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.