

How God Transformed the Boaster

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Text: John 21:1-22

Introduction: God's plan for transforming the world required that the transformers first be transformed themselves.

Peter had greatness within him, but he had a few major faults.

He always had to be _____ and the _____ of _____.

He sometimes crossed the line between _____ and _____. There was that embarrassing time when he jumped out of a boat, walked on water, but then got _____ (Matthew 14:26-31).

He had a hard time handling _____.

He seemed to feel a constant need to _____ himself to others. He would say _____ things, but then realize that he wasn't able to cash with his actions the checks his mouth had written!

He didn't always appear to _____ his own _____.

Peter's greatest failure took place on the night Jesus was arrested. After saying he would follow Jesus to prison or the grave, he _____ three times that he even knew Him.

In spite of Peter's weaknesses, God had great plans for him! Peter was destined to:

the first and greatest _____ of the Church!

Lead the first _____ into faith in Jesus Christ!

Emerge as the foremost _____ of the early Church!

Follow Jesus into _____!

Follow Jesus to the _____!

When Jesus asked Peter to feed his sheep, He was asking him to embrace:

His _____ and _____. Peter was to own them and never forget them.

Jesus' _____.

A life of _____ that put the needs of others before his own.

A life of _____ to the will of God, which would only require Peter to _____ the will of God, not to _____ it.

Conclusion: What are the weaknesses in YOUR life that God wants to transform? What would He need to do for that to happen?
