

PETER'S
MOUNTAIN-TOP
EXPERIENCES

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Two kinds...

- Amazing, memorable, life-changing things that happen to you or that you witness.
- Times in your life when YOU excelled...when YOU were “at the top of your game.”

Peter's Mountain-Top Experiences

1. Peter walking on water, Matt. 14:22-33.
2. Peter's poignant question, John 6:66-69.
3. Peter's bold declaration, Matt. 16:13-18.
4. Peter's unselfish assertion, Matt. 19:27-30.
5. Peter's dialogue about "washing," John 13:6-10.

Peter's Mountain-Top Experiences

The finest times in Peter's life...
the times when he "nailed it,"
were those times that he
put Jesus absolutely first place
in his life!

The same is true for us!

The finest times in our lives
will be those times that we
put Jesus absolutely first place
in our lives!

PETER...

Heart of Gold...

Feet of Clay!

Besides these
“Mountain-Top” experiences,
Peter also had some
deep “valleys” ...
times when he “failed
miserably”!

Peter's "Valleys" ...

- His Rebuke of the Lord, Matthew 16:21-23.
 - ✓ Note the context, vv. 13-20!
 - ✓ Remember Elijah! I Kings 18-19!
 - ✓ Beware of a "fall," after a spiritual victory!

Peter's "Valleys" ...

- His Rebuke of the Lord, Matthew 16:21-23.

Peter...

- ✓ Thought that he knew more than God!!
- ✓ Took it upon himself to correct Jesus!!!
- ✓ Allowed himself to become a tool of Satan!
- ✓ Was "setting his mind on the things of men rather than on the things of God."

Look at Colossians 3:1-2, 16

How might we be in danger of “setting our mind on the things of men rather than on the things of God.”

- ❖ Evolution! “Everyone knows it is true! Science has proven it!”
- ❖ Sexual Immorality! “Everyone is doing it!”
- ❖ Same-Sex Marriage! “You can’t help who you fall in love with!”
- ❖ Compromising Integrity! “If it doesn’t hurt anybody & nobody finds out, then it isn’t wrong!”

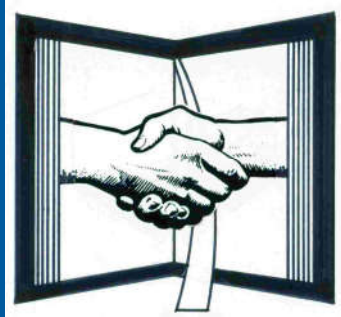
How might we be in danger of “setting our mind on the things of men rather than on the things of God.”

❖ Trying to be popular with people rather than pleasing to God! Galatians 1:10!

“For am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God?

Or am I striving to please men?

If I were still trying to please men,
I would not be a bond-servant of Christ.”



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