

“Don’t be alarmed,” the angel said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee.’” (Mark 16: 6,7).

Why was Peter the only person mentioned by name? Just two words it would be easy to overlook.

“And Peter.”

All of heaven watched Peter fall. And fall hard.

“Be sure to tell Peter that he’s not going to be left out. I saw those tears. He might have briefly abandoned me—but I never left him.” This is the gospel of the second chance. You’re not defined by your failures. You are who / say you are.

The words “and Peter” are unique to the Gospel of Mark. And since Mark’s material most likely came in part from Peter, it was probably Peter who mentioned this. Think about it: Mark is writing what happened and Peter is helping and they are thinking about all the important things that happened and Peter remembered these words. These words were precious to him. “I’m the least worthy.. and yet he claimed me as his own.”

This is grace.

I have to imagine the old fisherman brushed away a tear when he got to this part of the story and remembered hearing those words.

Had Jesus not added those two words, Peter might have thought, “He didn’t mean me. He’d want to see the others. But not me.”



Jesus first words to Simon Peter were, “Come follow me” (Mark 1:17). His last words, “You follow me” (John 21:22). The steps between were taken by a stumbling, faltering man. But he followed. Jesus called Peter “rock.” Jesus was going to build on this man. Impulsive, brash, and passionate, Peter blurted out things and fumbled along. He denied his Lord and later was reluctant to share the gospel with gentiles. He walked on water—and then sank. What did Jesus see in him? A willing spirit.

He became the great voice of the gospel after Pentecost. He was probably the main source of information for Mark to write his gospel. He wrote First and Second Peter. He carried the gospel to Rome—where they killed him. If you’ve ever wondered what would cause a man to be willing to be crucified upside down, now you know.

While you celebrate resurrection day this year, remember he calls *your* name. Are you listening? You haven’t been forgotten or forsaken. He seeks you out. He won’t let go. You are not defined by your failures. *You are who the risen Jesus says you are.*

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"All I know is that God is amazing."

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Kenny's Corner

The church that I attend has a unique sunrise service each year. It's unique because the church is located in Orange Beach and the service takes place outdoors on the beach. Last year, a few hundred people made their way to the service on the wooden boardwalk in the dark, carrying towels and beach

chairs. When we began, it was very dark and cold. We started singing hymns and about 15 minutes into the service something incredible happened. When a verse about the sun rising was being sung, the sun made its debut in the eastern sky. It was like all of creation broke open and new life had begun in that instant. It was a breathtaking moment. After the service was over and people started to leave (now a sunny beach) I reflected on that moment. Easter is the time we celebrate new life because of the risen Savior. When we allow Christ to take control of our lives and are born again it's like the light of Jesus breaks forth through us and we're now living in the light. As you prepare for Easter this year, remember the light that broke through sin and death on that first Easter morning. It is something worth celebrating.

