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# REMIX OF PETER & JOHN

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*Acts 2:14 NIV - Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you, listen carefully to what I say."*

In Acts 2:14, Peter stood up, preached his first message and he wasn't alone. He had his divine connection present, John, who's seen the process of him getting to this moment. Jesus paired these two disciples, Peter and John, to journey and grow together.

We will look at their connection and highlight elements that may be useful to assess your relationships. God puts you in the right circles and places to fulfill the purpose assigned to you. When God wants to change your life, He sends significant relationships by His divine timing. You have to be intentional about building friendships of value.

## **PETER AND JOHN - THEIR CONNECTION**

### **Jesus took Peter and John 3 places to build their friendship**

1. The Mount of Transfiguration
2. The House of Jarius (to raise his daughter from the dead)
3. The Garden of Gethsemane

*Proverbs 17:17 NIV - A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity.*

- God has assigned some people to your life based on the seasons that you will go through. Be careful of relationships that are convenient and not covenant.
- Have purposeful intentions and be around people that you can build with. You cannot extract out of a relationship what you have never put in it.
- Adversity will show you who is really with you.

## **THE FRIENDSHIP KIT**

### **THEY REMAIN WITH YOU - COURTYARD**

*John used his clout to get Peter access*

*John 18:15-16 NIV - Simon Peter and another disciple were following Jesus. Because **this disciple was known to the high priest**, he went with Jesus into the high priest's courtyard, but Peter had to wait outside at the door. **The other disciple, who was known to the high priest, came back, spoke to the servant girl on duty there and brought Peter in.***

- Some relationships will grant you access. Know how to act at the next level.

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*Luke 22:60-62 NIV - Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times." And he went outside and wept bitterly.*

- This is Peter's most shocking point in ministry. Both Peter and Judas fell. The difference is Judas isolated himself and died, while Peter was with John and got restored.
- God doesn't give up on you and has a plan to redeem you.
- A God-sent friend will remain with you and serve as a reflection of Him in your life.
- A good friend sees you at your worst, won't leave you isolated, doesn't use your pain against you, and still believes the best about you.

*Who has God put in your life that has remained with you, even through your mistakes? Have you remained by the side(s) of the one(s) God assigned to you?*

## THEY RUN WITH YOU - THE TOMB

### *Peter is called out*

*Mark 16:7 NIV - "But go, tell his disciples and **Peter**, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'"*

- When you feel like your sin was greater than God's sacrifice, He still reaches for you and calls you by name after your darkest moment.
- You need friends that are on the move and will challenge you.

### *John and Peter both run to see the tomb*

*John 20:3-6 NIV - So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but **the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.** He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there **but did not go in. Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there,***

- Friends are connected to your life and know what you need when you need it.
- Friends give you preference because of purpose and respect that it might be your time and not their turn.

*What characteristics must you possess to be a friend who runs alongside another?*

## THEY REMIND YOU - THE BOAT

### *Peter goes back fishing*

*John 21:4-7 NIV - Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When*

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*they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. **Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter**, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water.*

- You need a friend that reminds you of God's promises for your life, even through tests and trauma.

*What promise had you forgotten about that your friend had to remind you of? What made you forget the promise?*

## THEY RELEASE YOU - THE ROOM

*Acts 2:14 NIV - Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.*

- Inside of your purpose is everything you need and it doesn't allow you to leave anything behind that belongs to you. Choose purpose over a paycheck.
- All you need after your disappointments is the right friend. Remember, your disappointments are not greater than your destiny.
- Friends are not jealous or intimidated and they don't want to be you.
- Be released to be the best version of you.

*What promise did God fulfill in the midst of your darkest moment? Who was by your side when the promise manifested? Are you still in a covenant relationship with them?*

## THE RESULTS

*Acts 2:41 KJV - Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.*

- When you do what you are authentically supposed to do, there will be results.
- When you show up, the Greater will rise up and execute what has been placed inside of you.

## PRAYER

*Lord, your love for me is so great that you called me by name in the midst of my darkest hour. You reached for me when I thought all hope was lost. Thank you for another chance. Thank you for assigning people to me to take the journey with me, remind and to push me. I am not in my darkest moment. I have been redeemed. In Jesus' name. Amen!*