

MARK

16:1-8

Peter



- Son of Jona and born in Bethsaida. (John 1:42-44)
- Lived in Capernaum. (Matthew 8:5-14)
- Fisherman. (Matthew 4:18)
- Brother of Andrew. (Matthew 4:18)
- Partners with James and John. (Luke 5:10)
- Married. (Matthew 8:14)
- One of the pillars of the Jerusalem Church. (Galatians 2:9)
- Boldly preached, healed, and ministered to Jews and Gentiles after Pentecost. (Acts 2-12)
- Imprisoned by Herod for preaching and rescued by angel of the Lord. (Acts 12:3-19)

- Wrote 1 and 2 Peter.
- Impulsive (Matthew 14:28), yet cowardly. (Matthew 14:30; 26:69-74)
- Hot tempered (John 18:10), yet tenderhearted. (Matthew 26:75)
- Insightful (Matthew 16:16), yet dense. (Matthew 16:21-23)
- Courageous and solid after Pentecost. (Acts 5:27-30)

- Was called to be a fisher of men. (Matthew 4:19)
- Left everything to follow Jesus. (Luke 5:11)
- One of the three disciples in the core group of disciples. (Mark 5:37; 9:2; 13:3; 14:33)
- Simon said Jesus is the Christ, Son of the living God. Jesus names him Peter (rock) and, “Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hell will not prevail against it.” (Matthew 16:16-19)
- Was reprimanded because he refused to accept that Jesus had to die. (Matthew 16:23)

- Witnessed Jesus' Transfiguration (where Jesus' divinity was revealed). (Mark 9:2-8)
- Was sent to prepare the upper room for the Last Supper. (Luke 22:8)
- Jesus predicted that Peter would deny knowing him three times. (Luke 22:31-34)
- Was with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. (Matthew 26:36-46)
- Jesus instructed Peter after his resurrection. (John 21:15-19)

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I. Prediction of Peter's Denial.

Mark 14:27-31

27 Then Jesus said to them, “All of you will fall away, because it is written:

**I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep will be scattered.**

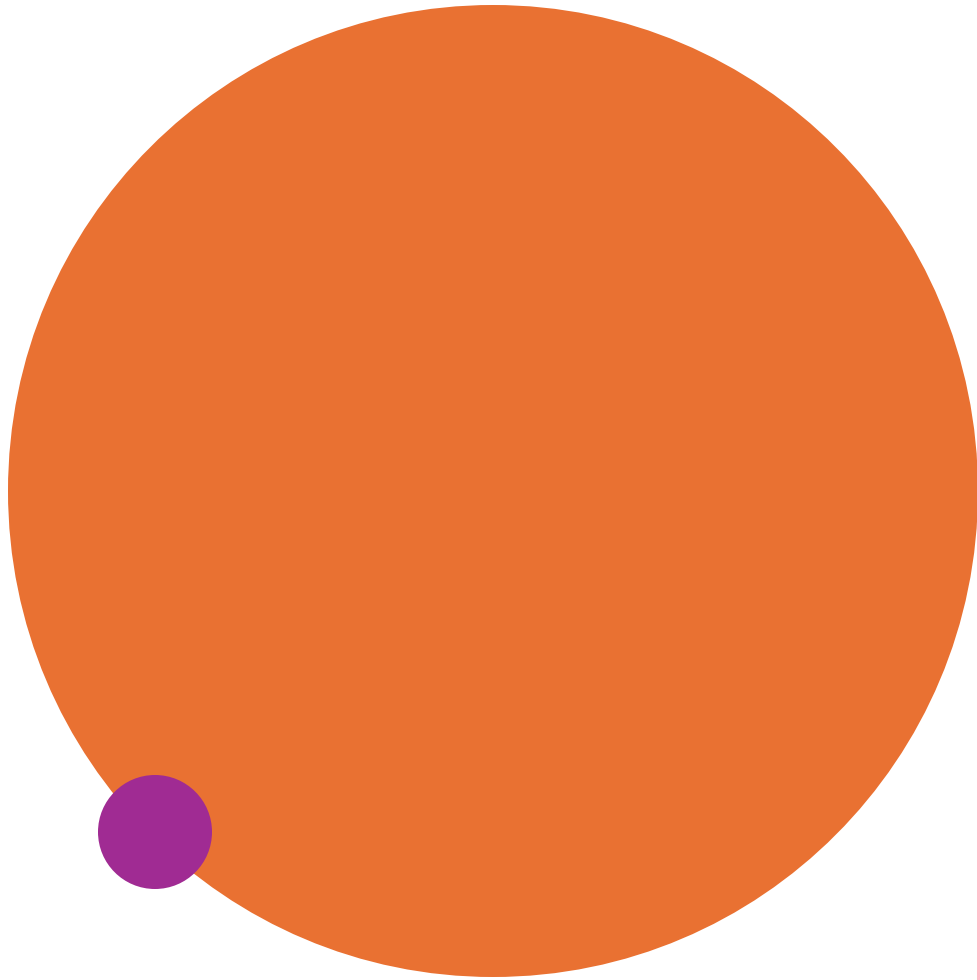
28 But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.”

29 Peter told him, “Even if everyone falls away, I will not.”

30 “Truly I tell you,” Jesus said to him, “today, this very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times.”

31 But he kept insisting, “If I have to die with you, I will never deny you.” And they all said the same thing.





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II. Peter's Denial/Failure

Mark 14:66-72

66 While Peter was in the courtyard below, one of the high priest's maidservants came. **67** When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth."

68 But he denied it: "I don't know or understand what you're talking about." Then he went out to the entryway, and a rooster crowed.

69 When the maidservant saw him again, she began to tell those standing nearby, "This man is one of them."

70 But again he denied it. After a little while those standing there said to Peter again, "You certainly are one of them, since you're also a Galilean."

71 Then he started to curse and swear, "I don't know this man you're talking about!"

72 Immediately a rooster crowed a second time, and Peter remembered when Jesus had spoken the word to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.





III. Peter's Restoration

John 21:15-19

15 When they had eaten breakfast, Jesus asked Simon Peter, “Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?”

“Yes, Lord,” he said to him, “you know that I love you.”

“**Feed my lambs,**” he told him. **16** A second time he asked him, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?”

“Yes, Lord,” he said to him, “you know that I love you.”

“**Shepherd my sheep,**” he told him.

17 He asked him the third time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?”

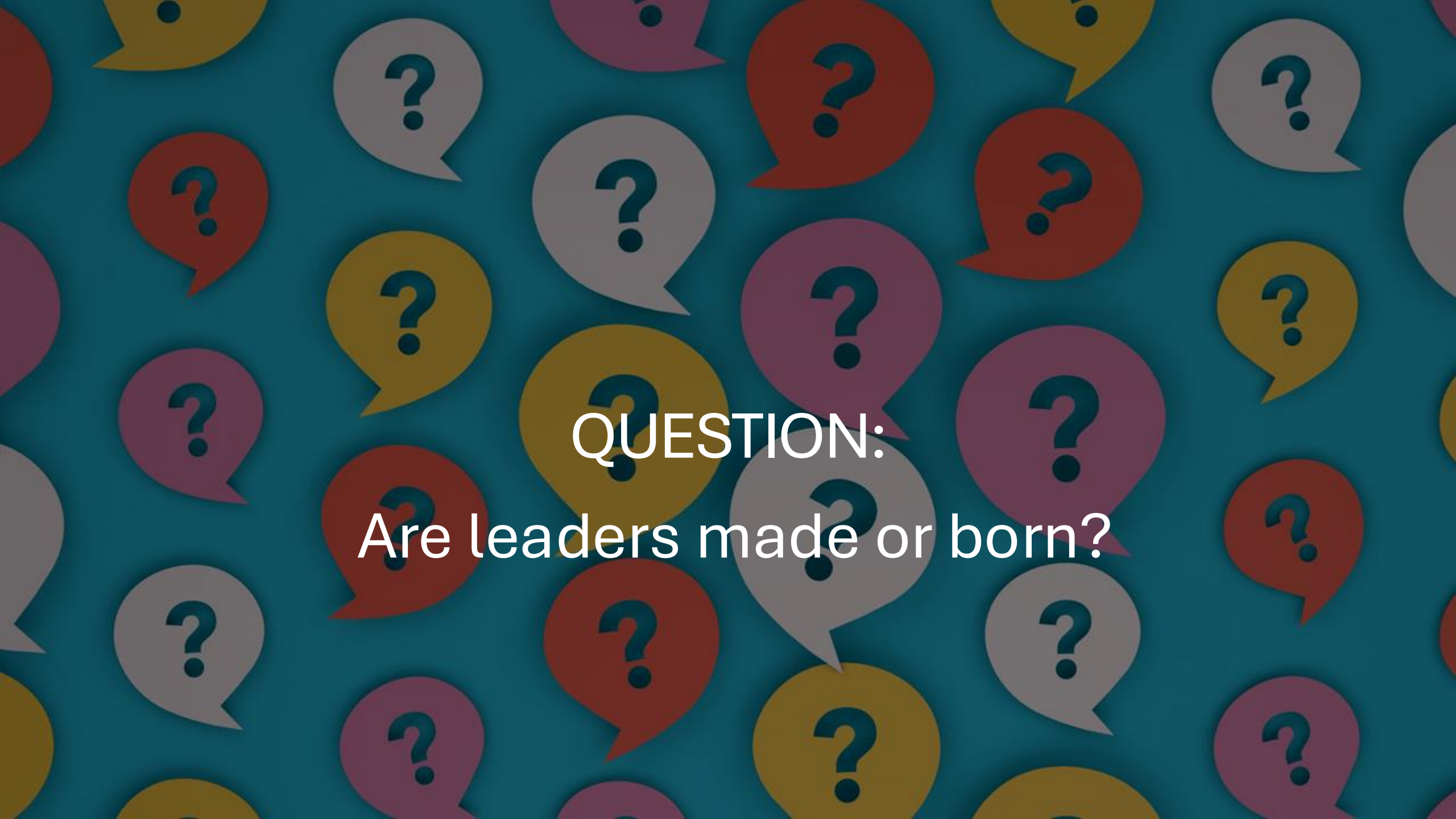
Peter was **grieved** that he asked him the **third time**, “Do you love me?” He said, “**Lord, you know everything;** you know that I love you.”

“**Feed my sheep,**” Jesus said. **18** “Truly I tell you, when you were younger, you would tie your belt and walk wherever you wanted. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will tie you **and carry you where you don’t want to go.**” **19** He said this to indicate by what kind of **death Peter** would glorify God. After saying this, he told him, “**Follow me.**”





“Of course, as usual, Peter was wrong and Jesus was right. Peter did deny Christ not once, but multiple times, just as Jesus had warned. Peter’s shame and disgrace at having dishonored Christ so flagrantly were only magnified by the fact he had boasted so stubbornly about being impervious to such sins.” ***Twelve Ordinary Men***

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QUESTION:
Are leaders made or born?



GROUP QUESTIONS:

1. HOW DO YOU HANDLE FAILURE? HOW DO YOU HANDLED FALLING SHORT?

2. WHAT'S THE BIGGEST FAILURE YOU'VE EVER DEALT WITH? HOW DID YOU GET THROUGH IT? (IF YOU DON'T MIND SHARING)

3. IN WHAT WAYS ARE YOU LIKE PETER?

4. DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE THE LORD WILL FORGIVE YOU OF YOUR SINS? 1 JOHN 1:9

5. DO YOU HAVE CONSISTENT ACCOUNTABILITY IN YOUR LIFE TO HELP YOU BECOME A STRONGER MAN?