

Everyday Heroes

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(God's) divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

2 Peter 1:3-4 NIV

Heroes . . .

1. Accept the call.

When Simon Peter realized what had happened, he fell to his knees before Jesus and said, "Oh, Lord, please leave me—I'm such a sinful man." . . . Jesus replied to Simon, "Don't be afraid! From now on you'll be fishing for people!" And as soon as they landed, they left everything and followed Jesus.

Luke 5:8, 10-11 NLT

2. Jump into action.

"Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

Luke 9:33b NIV

Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and (struck) the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear.

John 18:10a ESV

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd. . .

Acts 2:14 KJV

3. Make mistakes.

A servant girl noticed him in the firelight and began staring at him. Finally she said, "This man was one of Jesus' followers!" But Peter denied it. "Woman," he said, "I don't even know him!"

Luke 22:56-57 NLT

A third time he (Jesus) asked him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

John 21:17a NLT

Truly, I tell you, when you were young, you dressed yourself and walked where you wanted; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God.

John 21:18-19a BSB

4. Follow Jesus.

And after He (Jesus) had said this, He told him, "Follow Me." **John 21:19b BSB**

He (Peter) said to them: "You are well aware that it is against our law for a Jew to associate with or visit a Gentile. But God has shown me that I should not call anyone impure or unclean.

Acts 10:28 NIV