



Faulty Premise: Flawed Result

John 13:36-38 – May 12, 2024

Introduction

- Faulty premise
- Good logic
- Wrong conclusion
- Peter is all of us

John 13:31-35 (context from last week)

31 When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. 32 If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. 33 Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, ‘Where I am going you cannot come.’ 34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. 35 By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

John 13:36-38 (this week)

36 Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, where are you going?” Jesus answered him, “Where I am going you cannot follow me now, but you will follow afterward.” **37** Peter said to him, “Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.” **38** Jesus answered, “Will you lay down your life for me? Truly, truly, I say to you, the rooster will not crow till you have denied me three times.

1. Peter’s Question Out of Context (v/36)

Where are you going?

Unbelief: a faulty premise

2. Jesus: A Surprising Answer (v/36)

Meeting Peter where he is

3. Peter: But Why? (vs/37)

- Trust me, I can do this!

4. Jesus: The Reality (vs/38)

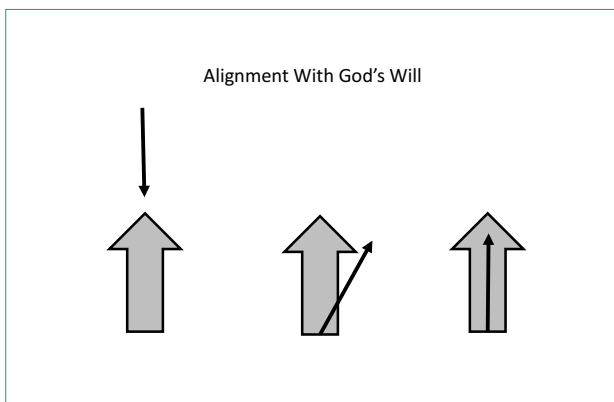
- Trust me, I *got* this.

--- *Revelation Demands Response* ---

Establishing A Solid Premise

- Recognize unbelief as intentional
 - don’t miss out on the best!
- Beware of “good intentions”
- The future is not ours to determine

Application questions on the back →



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For the following application questions, review your notes from the front.

SUNDAY after church...

Think through the morning and: 1) List and praise the Lord for specific encouragement you were able to give. 2) List and praise the Lord for specific encouragement you received. 3) List songs that touched your heart.

MONDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** When have you been very sure you were right on something only to find out that you were wrong? Do you have an example to share where your mistaken premise resulted in a noticeable blunder?

TUESDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** Think about the statement “Unbelief is not the absence of belief, it is the intentional desire to believe something else.” Do you agree? Do you take offense? Are you surprised? Share your thoughts on this.

WEDNESDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** How is Peter’s unbelief different from the unbelieving Jews who walked away? How does knowing that the Lord later used Peter to do mighty things for Him encourage you? What made the difference? How does this relate to us? How do we “hedge” or hold back in our belief in what Jesus has for us? Why?

THURSDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** When it comes to your walk with the Lord, do you consider yourself a follower or a leader? More specifically, are there premises that you maintain that are based on you rather than the Lord?

FRIDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **DISCUSS:** Where do you need to trust (believe) in the Lord more? (Phil 1:6, Rom 2:28)

SATURDAY – READ & PRAY: Find a good Bible reading plan, a good time, and a good place to commune with God. **WATCH:** How has the Lord shown you Himself and His work? **BUILD:** How is God leading you (and family) to build up the Body of Christ tomorrow and beyond?

Our purpose is *to know...follow...and love Christ!*