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LIFE OF PETER

Of all the disciples mentioned in the Gospels, Simon Peter's name appears most. He and his brother Andrew were commercial fishermen from a small town before a traveling miracle-worker named Jesus called them to leave everything they knew and follow him.

Peter's name means "rock," yet his personality was not steady for much of his younger years. He was passionate and rash, humble yet prideful, but also a natural leader. He followed Jesus with devotion, until, in a moment of fear, he denied even knowing the Savior he loved. But Jesus restored him, and Peter went down in history as one of the great leaders of the early church. Peter's life is a beautiful example of God's grace and redemption.

AD 27
CALLED BY JESUS
Peter is fishing on the Sea of Galilee when Jesus calls him and Andrew to be his disciples. They witness Jesus miraculously overfill their nets with fish.
Matt. 4:18–20; Luke 5:1–11

AD 29
CONFESSION
Peter declares that Jesus is the Messiah.
Matt. 16:13–20

Early in Jesus's ministry, Peter sees Jesus walking on the water. Peter also walks on water—until fear overtakes him.
Matt. 14:22–33

Jesus heals Peter's mother-in-law.
Matt. 8:14–15

TRANSFIGURATION
Peter, James, and John witness Christ transfigured in glory.
Matt. 17:1–13

When Peter asks Jesus how many times he should forgive, Jesus answers with the parable of the unmerciful servant.
Matt. 18:21–35

AD 30
LAST SUPPER
Just before the Passover meal, Jesus washes Peter's feet as an example of servanthood that Jesus's disciples should imitate. *John 13:1–17*

Peter cuts off the ear of Malchus, the high priest's servant, in an attempt to stop him from arresting Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane.
John 18:1–11

Jesus predicts that Peter will deny him three times before the rooster crows, which Peter adamantly disputes.
Matt. 26:31–35

PETER'S DENIAL
While Jesus is on trial, Peter, waiting outside, protests three times that he does not know Jesus. Then he weeps bitterly. *Mark 14:66–72; Luke 22:54–62*

The Sunday after Jesus's death and burial, Peter is one of the first disciples to see Christ's empty tomb. *John 20:3–10*

The resurrected Christ appears to Peter and the other disciples at the Sea of Galilee. Like his first encounter with Peter, Jesus performs a miraculous catch of fish. *John 21:1–14*

PENTECOST
Peter receives the Holy Spirit, preaches the gospel to the crowd, and emerges as a bold leader of the early church.
Acts 2:1–41

RESTORATION
Jesus tells Peter three times to "feed my sheep," a call to care for the followers of Christ. *John 21:15–19*

Peter confronts a sorcerer named Simon, heals a paralyzed man, and raises Tabitha from the dead.
Acts 8:9–25; 9:32–43

GOSPEL FOR THE GENTILES
Peter receives a vision from God, revealing that God has sanctified the gentiles. Peter brings the gospel to Cornelius, a gentile who receives the Holy Spirit. *Acts 10:1–11:18*

Peter heals a lame man in the name of Jesus Christ.
Acts 3:1–10

When Peter and John are brought before the Sanhedrin, despite the threat of imprisonment, they refuse to stop preaching. *Acts 4:1–22*

Peter is imprisoned, but an angel appears to him and strikes the chains from his wrists, freeing him. *Acts 12:1–18*

MARTYRDOM
Peter is executed in Rome under Emperor Nero's persecution of Christians. (According to tradition, Peter was crucified upside-down, believing himself not worthy to die in the same manner as his Lord.)

Peter writes two letters to Christians in Asia Minor facing persecution. *1 and 2 Peter*

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."
MATTHEW 4:19

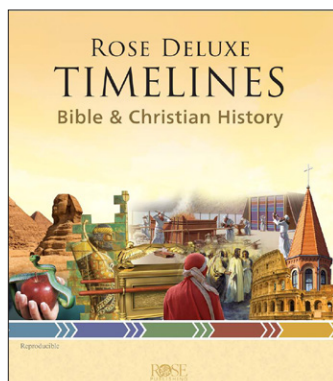
"I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church."
MATTHEW 16:18

Dates are approximate.

NEW TESTAMENT OVERVIEW

ERA	DATES	KEY PEOPLE AND EVENTS	BOOKS OF THE BIBLE
Intertestamental Period	400–4 BC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall of the Persian Empire • Rise of the Greek Empire • Alexander the Great • Maccabean Revolt • Hasmonean Dynasty • Pharisees and Sadducees • Roman Empire • Julius Caesar and Augustus 	The 66 books of the Bible do not cover this time period.
Life of Jesus	4 BC–AD 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary and the Birth of Jesus Christ • Herod the Great • Emperors Augustus and Tiberius • John the Baptist • Jesus's Ministry of Healing, Miracles, and Teaching in Galilee, Judea, and Perea • Christ's Crucifixion, Death, and Burial in Jerusalem • Christ's Resurrection and Ascension 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matthew • Mark • Luke • John
The First Christians	AD 30–60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Spirit at Pentecost • Beginning of the Church • Apostles Peter and John • Stephen and James Martyred • Apostle Paul • Spread of the Gospel to Gentiles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acts • James • Galatians • 1 and 2 Thessalonians • 1 and 2 Corinthians • Romans
Early Church After the Book of Acts	AD 60–100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emperors Caligula, Nero, and Domitian • Peter and Paul Martyred • Persecution of Christians • Jewish Revolt against Rome • Destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem • Writings of Josephus • Clement of Rome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ephesians • Philippians • Colossians • Philemon • Titus • 1 and 2 Timothy • 1 and 2 Peter • Hebrews • Jude • 1, 2, and 3 John • Revelation

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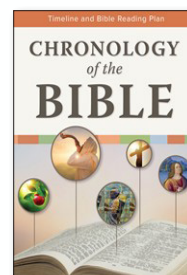
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