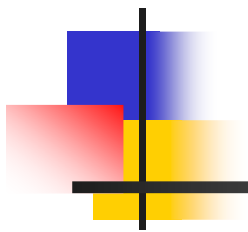


The Shadow of Peter:

The Prodigal

Acts 5:12-16



The Shadow of Peter

- **Statement of Interest**

- **Acts 5:15**, Sick laid in the streets that, *“...at least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.”*

- **Implied results**

- **Acts 5:16**, *“There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.”*





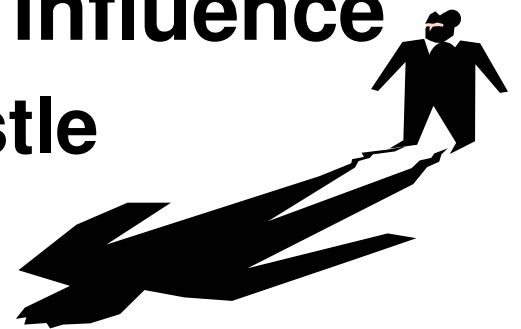
Consistent With Other Miracles

- **Acts 19:12**, *“From his (Paul) body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.”*
- **Mark 6:56**, *“...they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the border of his garment: and as many as touched him were made whole.”*
- **Luke 8:44**, *“Woman with blood issue, “touched the border of his garment and immediately her issue of blood stanchèd.”*



Peter's Shadow Still Present

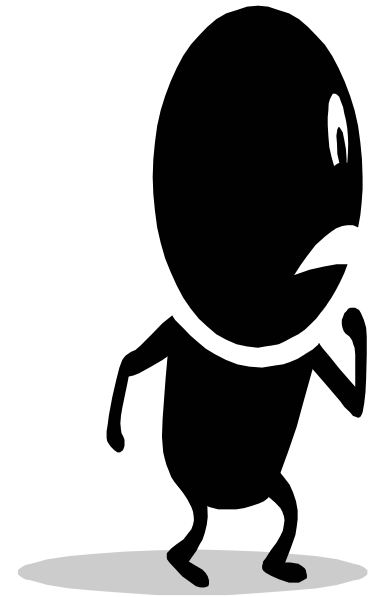
- Man's miraculous powers now extinct
 - **1 Corinthians 13:8-12**, Perfection has come
- Peter's shadow, still present by God's word
 - Helps to overcome sin
 - Helps to walk anew with Jesus
 - Helps to be better Christians
- Peter's shadow still a powerful influence
 - As a Prodigal, Preacher, & Apostle





Peter's as a Prodigal

- **Prodigal Definition:** *“wastefully or recklessly extravagant with use of money, time, and/or actions”*
- **Peter's Life...**
 - Filled with rash, impetuous acts
 - Often ran ahead or ran away from God's will
 - Intentions good but actions at times left much to be desired



Prodigal Peter On The Mount

Matthew 17:1-8

- Peter suffered from foot in mouth disease
 - One for Jesus, One for Moses, One for Elijah
 - Only one tabernacle required by God
- God's message
 - **Matthew 17:5**, *"This my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him"*.



God's Message Clear

- **Romans 10:17**, *“Faith cometh by hearing & hearing by the word of God.”*
- **Hebrews 11:3**, *“Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God...”*
- **John 1:1,14**, *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...the Word was made flesh...”*
- **John 14:6**, *“I am the way...”*



Prodigal Peter & Jesus' Death

Matthew 16:21-23



- He struggled with Jesus dieing
 - *“Peter took him...”*
 - *“...he began to rebuke him, saying be it far from thee, Lord, this shall not be unto thee.”*
- Jesus' response
 - *“Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.”*



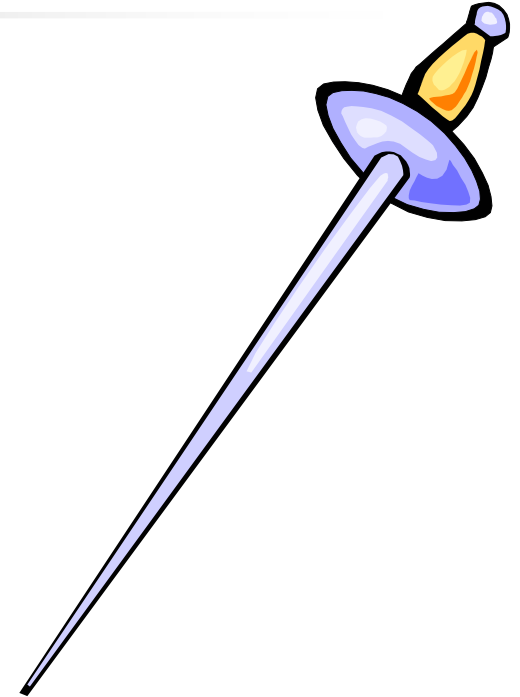
Submissiveness of Jesus

- **Matthew 26:39**, *“O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.”*
- **Hebrews 5:8**, *“...Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered...”*
- **Philippians 2:5-8**, *“Let this mind be in you...”
*He took on the “...form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.”**

Prodigal Peter and His Sword

Matthew 26:47-56

- Officers came to arrest Jesus
 - Peter defends Jesus, **John 18:10**
 - Ear or Head??? **Vs. 51**
- Peter's intentions were good
 - Actions contrary to God's will
 - No need for earthly swords to defend Jesus
 - Could have called 12 legions of angels, **Vs. 53**
 - Scriptures were fulfilled, **Vs. 56**





Prodigal Peter & His Denial

Matthew 26:31-35, 69-75

- **Matthew 26:33**, Peter to Jesus, *“I will never be offended....”*
- **Matthew 26:34**, Jesus to Peter, *“...That this night, before the cock crow, thou shall deny me thrice.”*
- **Matthew 26:35**, Peter to Jesus, *“...I should die with thee, yet will I not deny thee...”*
- **Matthew 26:74-75**, *“...the cock crew, ...he went out and wept bitterly.”*





Peter The Prodigal

- Intentions well meant
- Reckless & impetuous with his actions
- Suffered from “*foot in mouth disease*”



Question IS NOT:

Will I stray like Peter strayed?

Question IS:

Will I quickly repent when I do sin?