



Simon Peter

INTRO QUESTION

Were you ever given an important job that you messed up? Ever completely embarrassed yourself in public? What happened and how did it turn out?

Well, you're not alone...

BIBLE PASSAGE

Read Matthew 16:13-25

TALK ABOUT IT...

1. How would you sum up the conversation in these verses?
2. Each pick three words to describe what kind of person Simon Peter seems to be in this passage. Compare your choices. Do you agree? What kind of picture emerges?
3. Look at Simon Peter's Diary and the way he has been played on the Ark. Again, each pick three words to describe this character. How do the results compare with question 2?
4. Do you think our contestant has captured the real Simon Peter? How might you have played him differently?
5. What kind of relationship does Simon Peter have with Jesus in the Bible passage? How do you think you would get on with Simon Peter? And with Jesus?
6. Jesus says some great things to Simon Peter here, and some pretty rough ones. How do you think he comes out on balance? How do you think he feels at the end?
7. Peter went on to become the leader of the first church and a very successful missionary. Do you think that you can see a potentially great figure in this passage?
8. Whom does Peter get on best with on the Ark? And worst? How would you get on with him?
9. What contribution does Simon Peter make to life on the Ark? Do you think he should win / should have won?