

Fried Chicken

References: **Luke 22:54-56; John 21:7; Act 2:3:3**

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In the life of Peter, let us examine 3 Fires in which we see Peter. Everyone is sitting at one of these Fires of life; Which one are you sitting at today? There is the Sinner's Fire (**Lk. 22:54-62**), there is the Savior's Fire (**John 21:7**) and there is the Pentecostal Fire (**Acts 2:3**).

I. Peter At the Fire

Reference: **Luke 22:54-62**

A. At the enemies' fire, Peter found himself focused upon the wrong things of life. What are the things that are 'the wrong things of life'?... better asked, 'What are the right things?'

Reference: **Philippians 4:8**

B. Peter was concerned about his self-preservation, societal opinion and Satan's attack.

Reference: **Luke 22:33**

C. When we focus on the wrong things, our outlook is distorted. When we take our eyes off of Him, it will cause us to deny the power of Christ!

D. But the Savior gave Peter a look of His Own. It was a look of correction, direction and reflection. It was a penetrating look ("...Peter remembered...") and it was a powerful look ("...Peter went out and wept bitterly...").

E. Again, think of Peter's proclamation.

Reference: **Luke 22:33**

Peter should have fried that chicken, but he looked to himself for his hope instead of the Savior. When we face the fire with our own strength, the crowd of popular opinion tends to lead us astray.

II. Peter Under Fire

Reference: **John 21:7**

A. God never asks questions for information; He always asks questions to provoke a response!

B. A very simplistic explanation between the words "Agape" love and "Phileo" love: "Agape" means devotion and "Phileo" means emotion.

- God wants us to have more than have emotional love for Him; He wants us to be devoted to Him!

- God deserves so much more than you and I give Him.
- What more COULD YOU do in response to loving Christ??? What more WILL YOU do in response to loving Christ?

III. Peter On Fire

Reference: **Acts 2**

A. When we obey the Lord and are in the right place, when we are infused with His power and when we are devoted and bold, we will find that God can and will use us to His glory.

B. When is the last time that YOU were on fire for the Lord?

Reference: **Psalms 139:23-24**

Why not move away from the sinners' fire to the Savior's fire and catch ON fire for Jesus? Why wait?

Come to Jesus...

He came for you and He is COMING AGAIN!