PETER: LESSONS FROM A "LITTLE STONE"
Pt. 2: Fear and Doubt

•**<u>The Question</u>:**

-Why do people who have experienced God's _____ still deal with _____ and _____?

•**<u>The Cycle of Fear and Doubt</u>**

-Step #1.) _____/ _____ _____ _____. (Jn 6:14-15)

-Step #2.) _____ _____ _____ _____. (Mk 6:45, Jn 6:16-17)

-Step #3.) _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____. (Mt 14:23-26)

-Step #4.) _____ _____ _____ _____. (Mt 14:27-28)

-Step #5.) _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____. (Mt 14:28-31)

•**<u>The Main Point</u>:**

In order to overcome the Cycle of Fear and Doubt, we have to _____ God's Word, _____ His clear instructions, _____ how He led us in the past, and _____ our eyes on Jesus.

•**<u>LESSON 2</u>:**

Continuing sanctification requires constant _____ of Jesus, of His _____ for us, and of our _____ on Him.

•**<u>The Application</u>:**

"When the mind dwells upon self, it is turned away from Christ, the source of strength and life. Hence it is Satan's constant effort to keep the attention diverted from the Saviour and thus prevent the union and communion of the soul with Christ. The pleasures of the world, life's cares and perplexities and sorrows, the faults of others, or your own faults and imperfections—to any or all of these he will seek to divert the mind. Do not be misled by his devices. Many who are really conscientious, and who desire to live for God, he too often leads to dwell upon their own faults and weaknesses, and thus by separating them from Christ he hopes to gain the victory. We should not make self the center and indulge anxiety and fear as to whether we shall be saved. All this turns the soul away from the Source of our strength.

"Commit the keeping of your soul to God, and trust in Him. Talk and think of Jesus. Let self be lost in Him. Put away all doubt; dismiss your fears. Say with the apostle Paul, "I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me." Galatians 2:20. Rest in God. He is able to keep that which you have committed to Him. If you will leave yourself in His hands, He will bring you off more than conqueror through Him that has loved you."

-*Steps to Christ*, p. 47