

I. The Call (pt 1)

A. The Concern by His Brother

Would the world know the name of Peter were it not for Andrew?

B. The Communication About His Messiah

Andrew had already reached a conclusion on Jesus, though he likely didn't understand all that it meant

C. The Change in His Name

A diagnosis and a prescription!

John 1:35–42 (ESV)

<sup>35</sup>The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples,  
<sup>36</sup>and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” <- Only “Andrew” is named below (40)

<sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.

<sup>38</sup>Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “What are you seeking?” And they said to him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are you staying?”

<sup>39</sup>He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour.

<sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.

<sup>41</sup>He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ).

<sup>42</sup>He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon the son of John. You shall be called Cephas” (which means Peter).

Cephas = Aramaic / Peter = Greek  
Both mean “Rock” > Matt 16:13-20

When we are introduced to Peter, he is already...

-A married adult  
Mt 8:14

-A fisherman by trade  
Mt 4:18

-Living near the northern shore of the sea of Galilee in the city of Bethsaida  
Jn 1:44

<- The other disciple is often assumed to be John (35)

Simon = Simeon  
-Acts 15:7,14

-Same name as Jacob’s second son (Gen 29:33)

-He ruthlessly avenged the violation of his sister (Gen 34:25-31)

-Peter had the same rash and impulsive character as Simeon (Jn 18:10)

-Jesus recognized this in Peter but the name change indicated that he would become much more.

<- How do you think Peter would have regarded this request?

<-Why is Andrew not mentioned here?

II. The Call (pt 2)

-Mt 4:18-22

-Mk 1:16-20

Luke was not overly concerned with chronology

A. The Loaning of His Boat

One boat belonged to James and John, the other to Peter and Andrew. Jesus likely already knew them all (Jn. 1:35-42)

B. The Launching of His Boat

Indicates that Jesus had knowledge of their lack of success during the previous night

(1) Miraculous Gathering

(2) Peter’s Reaction

(3) Jesus’ Declaration

C. The Leaving of His Boat

Luke 5:1–11 (ESV)

Sea of Galilee

<sup>1</sup>On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret,

<sup>2</sup>and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets.

<sup>3</sup>Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. <- Mt. 13:1-3

<sup>4</sup>And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.”

<sup>5</sup>And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.”

<sup>6</sup>And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking.

<sup>7</sup>They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. <- This was obviously a supernatural catch

<sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.”

<sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken,

<sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.”

<sup>11</sup>And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him. <- Lk 14:25-33; 18:18-23

**When we are introduced to Peter, he is already...**

**Matthew 8:14 (ESV)**

<sup>14</sup>And when Jesus entered Peter's house, he saw his mother-in-law lying sick with a fever.

**Matthew 4:18 (ESV)**

<sup>18</sup>While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen.

**John 1:44 (ESV)**

<sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.

**Simon = Simeon**

**Acts 15:7 (ESV)**

<sup>7</sup>And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe.

**Acts 15:14 (ESV)**

<sup>14</sup>Simeon has related how God first visited the Gentiles, to take from them a people for his name.

**Genesis 29:33 (ESV)**

<sup>33</sup>She conceived again and bore a son, and said, "Because the LORD has heard that I am hated, he has given me this son also." And she called his name Simeon.

**Genesis 34:25–31 (ESV)**

<sup>25</sup>On the third day, when they were sore, two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brothers, took their swords and came against the city while it felt secure and killed all the males. <sup>26</sup>They killed Hamor and his son Shechem with the sword and took Dinah out of Shechem's house and went away. <sup>27</sup>The sons of Jacob came upon the slain and plundered the city, because they had defiled their sister. <sup>28</sup>They took their flocks and their herds, their donkeys, and whatever was in the city and in the field. <sup>29</sup>All their wealth, all their little ones and their wives, all that was in the houses, they captured and plundered.

<sup>30</sup>Then Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, "You have brought trouble on me by making me stink to the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites and the Perizzites. My numbers are few, and if they gather themselves against me and attack me, I shall be destroyed, both I and my household." <sup>31</sup>But they said, "Should he treat our sister like a prostitute?"

### **John 18:10 (ESV)**

<sup>10</sup> Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.)

### **Cephas / Peter**

### **Matthew 16:13–20 (ESV)**

<sup>13</sup> Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, **“Who do people say that the Son of Man is?”** <sup>14</sup> And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” <sup>15</sup> He said to them, **“But who do you say that I am?”** <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” <sup>17</sup> And Jesus answered him, **“Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.”** <sup>18</sup> **And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.** <sup>19</sup> **I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”** <sup>20</sup> Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

### **The Call (Pt. 2)**

### **Matthew 4:18–22 (ESV)**

<sup>18</sup> While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup> And he said to them, **“Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.”** <sup>20</sup> Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup> And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup> Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

### **Mark 1:16–20 (ESV)**

<sup>16</sup> Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup> And Jesus said to them, **“Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.”** <sup>18</sup> And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup> And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup> And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

### Sat Down / Boat

#### **Matthew 13:1–3 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup> That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup> And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup> And he told them many things in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow.

### Left Everything

#### **Luke 14:25–33 (ESV)**

<sup>25</sup> Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup> “If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup> For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup> Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, <sup>30</sup> saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ <sup>31</sup> Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup> So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

#### **Luke 18:18–23 (ESV)**

<sup>18</sup> And a ruler asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>19</sup> And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. <sup>20</sup> You know the commandments: ‘Do not commit adultery, Do not murder, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.’ ” <sup>21</sup> And he said, “All these I have kept from my youth.” <sup>22</sup> When Jesus heard this, he said to him, “One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” <sup>23</sup> But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich.