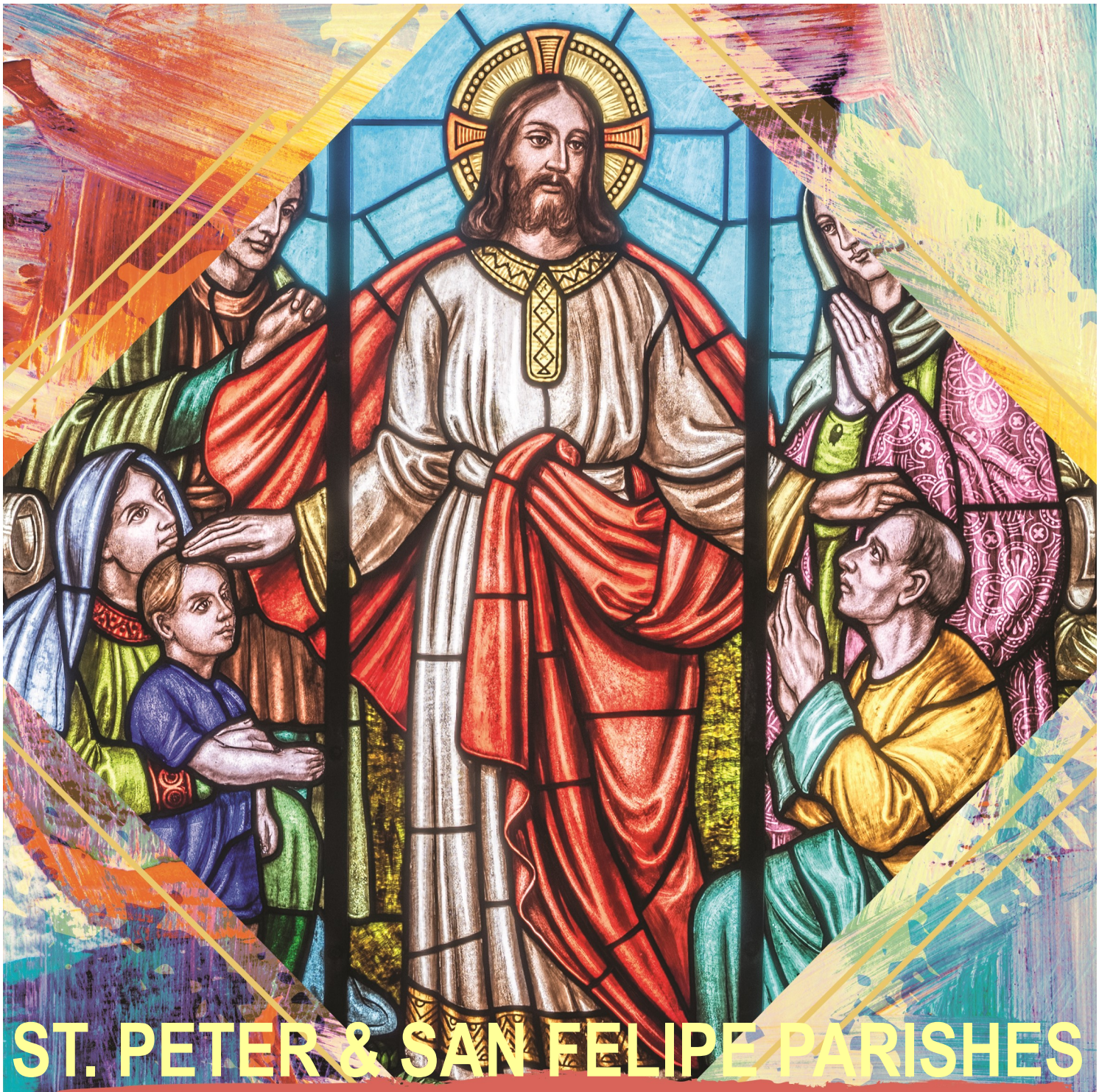

ST. PETER & SAN FELIPE PARISHES

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I know them, and they follow me." - Jn 10:27

4° DOMINGO DE PASCUA

"Yo las conozco y ellas me siguen". - Jn 10, 27

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The St. Peter Prayer Line unites parishioners in a spirit of Christian Charity to pray for the needs of our parishioners, especially:

Annette Simaz, Jeff Torell, Heidi Ann Hebrank, Rob Munski, Jerry Nielson, Kathy Drummett, Paula Glennie, Lorrie Gaunt, Tom Doucette, Frances Byk, Jackie Diaz, Janet Fahey, Fr. John Flynn, OSA, Ronnie Hebrank, Madison McAllister, Deacon Tony Nethercott, Sylvia Scurio, Br. Larry Sparacino, OSA, Saúl Suárez, Jr., *and all the sick on St. Peter's Prayer Line.*

The group will continue to pray for your request until they hear differently from you.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 7
8.30am ***In reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary***
5:00pm ***† Frank & Eileen Violante***
by Steenwyk Family
Sunday, May 8
8:00am ***Beatrice Garzón***
by the Firmiss Family
10:30am ***For all the Mothers of St. Peter Parish***
Monday, May 9
8:30am ***The People of St. Peter Parish***
Tuesday, May 10
8:30am ***† Edward Hagger*** (Birthday Remembrance)
by Mike & Elaine Squire
Thursday, May 12
8:30am ***† Ashley Janik & Tony Brown***
by the Giles Family
Friday, May 13
8:30am ***† Aldo & Florence DeBenedetti***
by Mary DeBenedetti
Saturday, May 14
5:00pm ***† Dolores Pogor***
by Joseph Ellingsen & Family
Sunday, May 15
8:00am ***† Kathy O'Reilly***
by Tony & Marsh Maslanka
10:30am ***† Emily Krupa & Beverly Kutzler***
by Jim & Diane Krupa

Readings for the Week

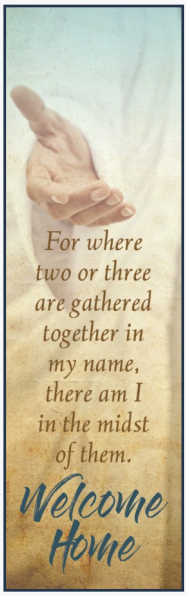
Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Mother's Day
Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/
Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: St. Damien de Veuster, Priest
Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-3
Wednesday:
Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 & 8/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr
Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/
Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Our Lady of Fatima
Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: St. Matthias, Apostle
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/
Jn 15:9-17
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter; St. Isidore
Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/
Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-3

SAINT PETER
A Catholic Community of Love, Faith, and Hope

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 3:30pm-4:30pm
other times by appointment

Masses Schedule
Church open from 8am to 7pm (Approx.)
M,T,TH,F 8:30am
Wednesday —No Mass—
Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am and 10:30am

Both Sunday Masses at St. Peter are live streamed (see our webpage for link)



WELCOME HOME

Beginning in February,
the following families have
registered to become part of the
St. Peter Parish Family!!

David & Dorothy Lockwood
Victoria Hutchins
Jim & Diane Krupa
Michael & Paola Doyle
Tim Tolson & Francisco Hernandez
Nathaniel & Alexandra Eggleston
Chris Garcia Peak
Marc & Wonder Compton
Leslie Howard

We are so glad that you chose
St. Peter Parish to share
at the Table of the Eucharist.

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

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- Sunday Masses, 8am & 10:30am
- KofC Pancake Breakfast, Sun 8am-12pm
- May Crowning, Sat 5pm, Sun 8am & 10:30am Mass
- First Communion, Sat 5pm, Sun 10:30am Mass
- Daily Mass, Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri, 8:30am
- Open Vessels Women's Faith Sharing
  Tue 9:30am - Vatican Room
- International Rosary Practice, Thurs 6-7pm
- Eucharistic Adoration, Fri 9am-12pm - Chapel
- Holy Hour, Fri 5-6pm
- International Rosary, Fri 6-7
- Catholic Men's Fellowship,
  Sat 8-10am - Solanus Casey room
- Confessions, Sat 3:30-4:30pm
- Vigil Mass, Sat 5pm

Next Sunday
- Family Faith Formation, Sun 9:15-10:15
- Family Faith Formation Potluck, Sun 11:30am-1pm

Pray for Vocations!

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

International Rosary
Friday May 13th 6pm

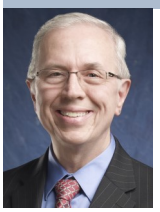
105 years ago on May 13, the Mother of God appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima Portugal. She told them to pray the Rosary every day for peace in the world. That was 1917 in the middle of WWI. The war did end but the need for prayers for peace did not.

This Friday on May 13 we will join together to pray an International Rosary.

Each decade of the Rosary will begin in a different language but the last half prayed together in English. Many languages but one heart for an end to divisions that lead us to war.

Let us pray the Rosary for peace.

From Rick Hardy
Pastoral Associate



Making the Vision Work

Last time, I reviewed Fr. Fabio's pastoral vision for St. Peter's — "To become a community of Love, Faith, and Hope." Every pastor has a vision for what he hopes to help a parish accomplish while under his leadership. Some are very upfront about this; others will be more reserved. Fr. Fabio's vision is very clear.

The parish itself may also have a vision for what (or who) it, as a Catholic community in a particular place, would like to be. To my knowledge, St. Peter Parish does not have a Vision Statement.

We do, however, have a Mission Statement. It's a couple of sentences long, but its punchline is "Word, Worship, and Service." This Mission Statement was updated by the Pastoral Council something like ten years ago, more or less.

It took me the longest time to come to some understanding of the difference between a Vision Statement and a Mission Statement. Either one can vary in quality and precision; generally the longer either one is, the less meaningful it will be. The process of developing either statement is probably as important as the statement that results, anyway.

The difference, which I had such a hard time figuring out, now seems simple: The Vision is who we want to be, and the Mission is what we are trying to do.

The weakness of either of these is that if the members of an organization aren't aware of the statement — or can't make sense of what it's trying to say — there isn't a lot of usefulness to either one.

For what it's worth, I think that the Mission Statement, although I can't quite remember the entirety of it, is concise and therefore meaningful, because of where it ends up: *Word, Worship, and Service.* Just these three words convey the meaning of the entire statement. And it's timeless; not one of these three concepts or pursuits will ever be out of place in a Catholic Christian community.

Also for what it's worth, I'm very taken with Fr. Fabio's pastoral vision: *To become a community of Love, Faith, and Hope.* It's easy to remember and it is built directly on the life of Jesus and His interactions with the people of His time, and with us.

The two work hand in hand, and they strengthen each other. Word, Worship, and Service also summarize the mission of Jesus, and Love, Faith and Hope describe the way He did it.

Our parish is in a time of transition. The renewal of our church and its grounds certainly is the strongest statement about this. But there are others.

New members have been joining the parish at a brisk pace: 33 households have registered in the past calendar year. There have been two welcoming receptions for newcomers this year and another is not far off. Each reception targets about 20-30 people, with all staff members and several council members also in attendance. If a household is unable to attend, the invitation remains open until they are able to participate. If a household does not respond, the invitation is re-extended once. Not all 33 new households have yet been invited to one of these receptions, but all will be.

But welcoming is only the first step. Integration into parish life is even more important. Being "new" can be uncomfortable, strange, and lonely. Belonging is much better, and belonging is the real goal.

The Pastoral Council (parish council) has embarked on the development of a Commission structure that groups parish ministries into five "commissions," or areas of similar purpose and interest. Each commission includes any number of committees or ministries; each ministry has — or should and will have — a head or coordinator.

About 3-4 times per year, the Commissions will meet, all in the same evening, to pray together, receive a bit of instruction or encouragement from our pastor, and to exchange information, plans, evaluations, and proposals. Two Pastoral Council members and one staff member meet with each commission.

The first "Commission Night" took place in March with over 30 people in attendance. It was a great start to a process that will build communication, community, and effectiveness into the structure of our parish.

One of the most important outcomes of the first Commission Night is the vivid understanding that there are LOTS of openings for participation in parish ministries — both existing and yet to be formed. There is a place for everyone in this structure, and those places become most evident when everyone gets together and it becomes clear not only who's there, but who isn't … yet!

There are three reasons people select a church (whether they are selecting from among various religions or just selecting a Catholic parish): Preaching, Music, and a Sense of Belonging and Welcome. These three are all tied for first place, and there's no second.

Rick Hardy cont.

We can count our blessings with preaching. Fr. Fabio is devoted to this part of his ministry in a most profound way, and provides an unfailingly insightful and engaging look at the Word of God proclaimed in each Mass.

We can count another blessing with music. Caitlin has made a congenial and positive entry into the parish community with an engaging presence, beautiful singing voice, and excellence at the piano. She's also a fine vocal coach for the choir, and is developing a very nicely blended sound with the members.

And finally, we can count another blessing with the development of the council and commissions as a way of offering welcome and belonging to everyone who chooses St. Peter's as the place to be at home within the Body of Christ.

Are you new here? Welcome! Don't stay new too long: belong, find your place, help St. Peter's to become a community of Love, Faith, and Hope. Any staff member will be delighted to explore the opportunities that are all around. Any parishioner will be glad to help you find your way! To one and all, established and new, welcome home!

DISCLAIMER: (The Bulletin Editor asked me for an extra-long article this week! —RRH)

We cannot thank you enough for your continued partnership through ***Corners of Your Field*** through Gateway Mission. The total value of the items donated from St. Peter Catholic Church is $1,655 (Jan through March 2022). These contributions not only help those who need clothing and misc. household items, but also provide the means to cover nights of safe shelter, hot meals, a warm bed and a caring staff.
Because of the items donated, ***Corners of Your Field*** was able to return $85.00 in Gateway Mission gift cards to St. Peter Parish.

GATEWAY MISSION
HOPE FOUND HERE.

St. Peter Parish has donated these gift cards to Christian Neighbors to help those in needs.

Knights of Columbus
Pancake Breakfast
This Sunday 8am - Noon

Come join us for some fellowship and food…2 eggs, sausage, bacon and of course, pancakes!
Adults - $6 Children - $3

Attention 2022 HS and College Graduates

Father Fabio and your parish community would like to acknowledge your accomplishments and hard work during your high school or college career, as well as, give you a special blessing as you prepare for the next chapter in your life.

Submit a short bio & photo of yourself to:
alisha.giles@stpeter-douglas.org

Include your name, parents' names, high school or college attending, extra-curricular activities and achievements, and future plans.

We are so proud of you!

Parish Registration

Question:
Why is it so important that we register in a parish? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass?

Answer:
Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong. At times, young adults who have moved away for years think they are still signed up under their parents. But membership requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish. Your registration affects the parish in many ways. Census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a church, what benefits and obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses, Confessions, and devotions are planned and scheduled.

Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining sponsor certificates, and getting donation statements for taxes. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish.

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On May 15th, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. For more information go to:

www.usccb.org/catholic-relief

Un vistazo a San Felipe esta semana...

¡ Feliz Día a Todas las Madres !

Dios de Amor,
escucha nuestra oración
por todas las madres de nuestras familias.
Bendícelas hoy, ahora, en esta vida,
con cosas buenas y con salud.
Bendícelas con alegría, con amor,
con la sonrisa y el orgullo de sus hijos,
y rodéalas de muchos buenos amigos.
Que esta bendición y todos las gracias, te pedimos,
desciendan sobre las madres de nuestras familias:
en el nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo.
Amén.

La Bendición de Graduandos

Organizamos una bendición especial para los jóvenes que pasan por la graduación este año.

Queremos los nombres de los que se están graduando.

Pronto anunciaremos la fecha de la bendición y los detalles.

Oportunidades para estudiar

Grupo para Principiantes
Los domingos
después de la Misa

Lectura de los Santos Evangelios
Mateo, Marcos, Lucas y Juan
Los martes a las 6:30 p.m.

Tomen de el agua fresca de la Palabra
para saciar su sed y encontrar una luz.

La Segunda Colecta para Catholic Relief Services (C.R.S.)

El **domingo 15 de mayo** tendremos la colecta especial para ayudar a la agencia que alivia la pobreza y el sufrimiento en muchos países en nombre de los católicos de los EE. UU. Usen su sobre especial para esa colecta. Sean generosos.

¡Celebren a Cristo vivo y resucitado!

La devoción
de la Luz cada viernes de Pascua
a las 6:30 pm.
Una hora de reflexiones y oraciones para acercarnos a Cristo vivo.

La Adoración al Santísimo
Domingo 15 de mayo
6 pm. - 8 p.m.

Oren por los 24 niños y jóvenes que van a recibir a nuestro Señor por primera vez en la Santa Comunión.
Su primera comunión será este sábado 14 de mayo a las 10:30 p.m. Todos están invitados.

Felicidades a **Reynaldo Ponce** que se inició en la fraternidad de los caballeros de Colon el jueves 28 de abril. Vivat Jesu.

La Kermés de la Parroquia será el 12 de junio.
Ofrezcan su apoyo para que sea un día exitoso.

Un vistazo a San Felipe esta semana...

Lecturas de la Semana del 8 de mayo

Domingo: 4º Domingo de Pascua; Día mundial de oración por las vocaciones; Día de la Madre (EEUU)
Hch 13, 14. 43-52/Sal 99, 1-2. 3. 5/
Ap 7, 9. 14-17/Jn 10, 27-30

Lunes:
Hch 11, 1-18/Sal 41, 2-3; 43, 3. 4/Jn 10, 1-10

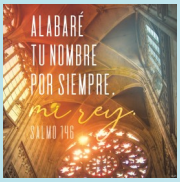
Martes: San Damián de Veuster, sacerdote
Hch 11, 19-26/Sal 86, 1-3. 4-5. 6-7/Jn 10, 22-30

Miércoles:
Hch 12, 24—13, 5/Sal 66, 2-3. 5. 6 y 8/Jn 12, 44-50

Jueves: Santos Nero y Aquileo, mártires; San Pancracio, mártir
Hch 13, 13-25/Sal 88, 2-3. 21-22. 25 y 27/
Jn 13, 16-20

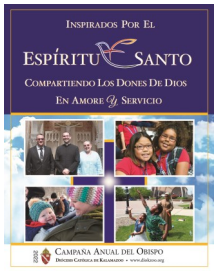
Viernes: Nuestra Señora de Fátima
Hch 13, 26-33/Sal 2, 6-7. 8-9. 10-11/Jn 14, 1-6

Sábado: San Matías, apóstol
Hch 1, 15-17. 20-26/Sal 112, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8/
Jn 15, 9-17



Domingo siguiente: 5º Domingo de Pascua; San Isidoro
Hch 14, 21-27/Sal 144, 8-9. 10-11. 12-13/Ap 21, 1-5/Jn 13, 31-33. 34-35

Comenzamos ….
la Campaña de Obispo 2022.



Esta campaña es una oportunidad para demostrarle a Dios nuestra gratitud por sus bendiciones y devolverle una porción chiquita de lo que Él nos ha dado. No hay donativo demasiado pequeño o demasiado grande. Queremos la participación de 100% de las familias.

Si han recibido su carta y ficha para la campaña en el correo. Haznos el favor de llenarla y entregarla a la parroquia. ¡Necesitamos alcanzar la meta!

Nuestro Compromiso con la Iglesia

Segundo Domingo de Pascua 5/1/22
$ 859.00

La Cocina 5/1/22 **$ 555.00**

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La Corresponsabilidad Diaria

Oveja reacia

Tomando en cuenta y considerando la frecuencia con que se nos refiere como ovejas en las Escrituras, realmente debes preguntarte si Dios está tratando de decirnos algo sobre nosotros mismos.

Si observas la fraseología asociada con las ovejas, no es de extrañar que nadie quiera ser una. Las ovejas son inocentes. Las ovejas no pueden protegerse a si mismas. Son vulnerables y se les puede engañar fácilmente.

Queremos vernos a nosotros mismos como lo opuesto a todo eso. Nos gusta pensar que somos astutos, con mucho sentido común. Queremos creer que no tenemos que depender de nadie para nada. Preferiríamos identificarnos con el lobo que con la oveja; al menos el lobo puede cuidar de sí mismo.

Hacemos esto porque a menudo resistimos la necesidad de descansar en la grandeza de Dios. Como un niño que camina solo a la escuela por primera vez (olvidando que su mamá lo está siguiendo atentamente en el auto), queremos pensar que podemos manejarlo todo por nosotros mismos.

La verdad es que Dios está tratando de decirnos algo comparándonos con ovejas: no tienes que hacer esto tu solo.

Cada vez que miro un obstáculo y pienso que no hay forma de evitarlo, me estoy olvidando de que tengo un pastor que conoce la ubicación de la puerta.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS