

PETER

This is about the meeting of Peter (P) and Jesus (J) after the resurrection.

P: Hello I'm Peter. I've really done some things in my time, but I think this one takes some beating. Denying him three times in one night, that must be a candidate for the Guinness Book of Botch-ups. I think when he called me Peter the Rock, he was talking about my brain. How can He ever forgive me?

J: Peter, do you love me?

P: (not listening)..I mean to say, I don't think I've sunk so low since I tried walking on water. I'd shoot myself, but I'd probably forget about the bullets. He'll never forgive me, I guess its down to the Job Centre, though I don't suppose there's a great call for failed disciples.

J: Peter, do you love me?

P: (still not listening)....oh excuse me sir, which way to the Job Cent..er..er...er hello Lord.... what did you say?

J: Peter, do you love me?

P: But Lord, how can you ask that, after what I've done, I've been hopeless with a capital O, a nit with a capital K, I just don't know what to say, I'm lost for words, I'm speechless, I'm..

J: Peter, shut up, put your brain in gear, think, and answer in just One word, DO YOU LOVE ME?

P: (pauses then answers seriously)... YES.

J: Thank You.

P: But I'll quite understand if you don't want me as a disciple, I mean you can't have your top reps going round denying you, I'll quite understand, but if there is anything I can do just let me know..

J: Feed my sheep.

P: Of course, anything Lord, just leave the bags of food with all the instructions, I should be able to do that, only too happy to help....WHAT SHEEP?

J: (Pointing to congregation).. Feed MY sheep.

P: You mean despite everything, despite the failures, despite me, you still call me to serve you.

J: If you love me, feed my sheep.

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