

## Simon Says

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### Introduction

1. Matthew 4:18; 10:2; 16:16
2. We have all played the game Simon Says and oh what fun we had
3. In some ways we are all like Peter, we all see our self in him in some ways.
4. There are some to do what Simon Says on some spiritual issues
5. What did Simon Say?

### II Discussion

- A. Simon says "Thou art the Christ the Son of the Living God." Matthew 16:16-18
  1. We all need to make that confession. Romans 10:9-10; Acts 8:37; Philippians 2:9-11; Romans 14:11
- B. Simon says, "It is good for us to be here." Matthew 17:4
  1. It was good for them to be there but there is a problem here
  2. Was Simon sincere in what he said? Luke 9:33
  3. But he was wrong. 17:5
  4. Our worship needs to be not as we want it but as God wants it.
  5. Where are you at worship time?
- C. Simon says, "I will not be offended." Matthew 26:33
  1. Simons threefold error,
    - i. He contradicted Jesus;
    - ii. He thought he was superior to others;
    - iii. He was relying on his own strength.
  2. He needed humble himself. 1 Peter 5:6
  3. Paul says to take heed. 1 Corinthians 10:12
- D. Simon says, "To whom shall we go..." John 6:68
  1. There is only one place to go for eternal life. Acts 4:12; John 14:6
- E. Simon says, "Can any forbid water." Acts 10:46-37
  1. Baptism is necessary. 1 Peter 3:21
  2. It is for the remission of sins, Acts 2:38
  3. It is to have our sins washed away. Acts 22:16
  4. It is to be washed in the blood of Jesus. Revelation 1:5
  5. Who can say that baptism is unimportant? Nor not necessary.
- F. Simon says, "we have forsaken all." Matthew 19:27
  1. Jesus had told them to count the cost. Luke 14:25-33
  2. If we follow the Lord we will be blessed, Notice vs 29
- G. Simon says, "How often shall I forgive my brother?"
  1. How often do we want forgiveness? Matthew 6:14
  2. Did God forgive you, or has God forgiven you?
  3. Why not? That will be your doing!

### III Conclusion

1. Will you follow the lead of Simon?
2. Follow him as he followed the Lord.
3. Simon did obey, why don't you!

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