



John 21:20-23 NIV

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John 21:24 NIV

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John 21:25 NIV

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John 21:15-16 NIV

15 When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?”

“Yes, Lord,” he said, “you know that I love you.”

Jesus said, “Feed my lambs.”

16 Again Jesus said, “Simon son of John, do you love me?”

He answered, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.”

Jesus said, “Take care of my sheep.”



John 21:17 NIV

The third time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?”

Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, “Do you love me?” He said, “Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you.”

Jesus said, “Feed my sheep.



John 21:18-19 NIV

18 Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.” 19 Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, “Follow me!”

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25 Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your son," 27 and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home

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John 21:7 NIV

Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, “It is the Lord,” he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water.

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John 21:18-19; John 21:15-17



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Psalm 121:1-2 NIV

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- 1 I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
where does my help come from?
 - 2 My help comes from the LORD,
the Maker of heaven and earth.



I. Jesus Calls For Personal Accountability



Romans 14:12-13 NIV

12 So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God.

13 Therefore let us stop passing judgment on one another. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in the way of a brother or sister.

Previous Scripture: Psalm 121:1-2;

John 21:7; John 21:20-23



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1 Corinthians 12:4-6 NIV

4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. 6 There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

Previous Scripture: Romans 14:12-13;

Psalms 121:1-2; John 21:7



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Romans 14:12-13; Psalm 121:1-2



II. John Demonstrates Personal Credibility Philippians 1:20-21 NIV



20 I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.



II. John Demonstrates Personal Credibility



Galatians 6:4-5 NIV

4 Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, 5 for each one should carry their own load.

Previous Scripture: Philippians 1:20-21;

John 21:24; 1 Corinthians 12:4-6



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John 20:30-31 NIV

30 Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. 31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.



III. The Gospel Writers Provide Unmatched Reliability Numbers 23:19 NIV

God is not human, that he should lie,
not a human being, that he should change his mind.

Does he speak and then not act?

Does he promise and not fulfill?