



“You have a choice to make. You will be either a *world-class* Christian or a *worldly* Christian.” This is Rick Warren’s challenge to each one of us, and we, more than most, are in a position to influence the world with the faith, hope, and love of Jesus Christ. He goes on to say:

“Worldly Christians look to God primarily for personal fulfillment. They are saved, but self-centered. They love to attend concerts and enrichment seminars, but you would never find them at a missions conference because they aren’t interested. Their prayers focus on their own needs, blessings, and happiness. It’s a ‘me-first’ faith: How can God make *my* life more comfortable? They want to use God for their purposes instead of *being* used for *his* purposes.

“In contrast, world-class Christians know they were saved to serve and made for a mission. They are eager to receive a personal assignment and excited about the privilege of being used by God. World-class Christians are the only *fully alive* people on the planet. Their joy, confidence, and enthusiasm are contagious because they know they’re making a difference. They wake up each morning expecting God to work through them in fresh ways. Which type of Christian do you want to be?” (pp. 297-298).

1. How would you describe Peter as he appears in the four gospels?

Matthew 4:18-20	Called from fishing	John 13:3-9	Foot washing
Matthew 14:28-31	Walked on water	John 18:10-11	Cut off ear
Matthew 16:13-18	“You are the Christ”	Matthew 16:21-23	Rebuked by Jesus
Mark 9:2-7	At transfiguration	Mark 14:29-31, 66-72	Denied Jesus

2. By contrast, how would you describe Peter as he appears in the book of Acts?

Acts 1:15, 21	Leader to believers
Acts 2:14, 41	Spokesman to unbelievers
Acts 3:1-8	Healer to lame man
Acts 4:3, 7-10	Defender to authorities

3. What was it that changed Peter’s life to become a *world-class* Christian?

1 Corinthians 15:5	Encounter with Jesus after the Resurrection
Acts 1:8	Power of the Holy Spirit promised to come
Acts 2:4, 4:31	Filling of the Holy Spirit occurred repeatedly

“The contrast between Peter of the gospels—impulsive, unsteadfast, slow of heart to understand the mysteries of the kingdom—and the same apostle as he meets us in the Acts, firm and courageous, ready to go to prison and to death, the preacher of the faith, the interpreter of Scripture, is one of the most convincing proofs of the power of Christ’s resurrection and the mighty working of the pentecostal gift” (Dr. E.H. Plumtre, *King’s College, London*).

4. Are you satisfied with your Christian life? Do you want to be a *world-class* Christian?

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<http://www.transferableconcepts.com/transconcepts/english/spirit/index.html>

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*“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem [your community], and in all Judea [your country] and Samaria [other cultures], and to the ends of the earth [everywhere in the world].”*

(Acts 1:8 NIV)