

## *A Tale Of Two Responses*

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SO WHEN THEY HAD FINISHED BREAKFAST,  
JESUS \*SAID TO SIMON PETER, "SIMON, SON OF  
JOHN, DO YOU LOVE ME MORE THAN THESE?"  
HE SAID TO HIM, "YES, LORD; YOU KNOW THAT I  
LOVE YOU." HE \*SAID TO HIM, "TEND MY LAMBS."

**JOHN 21:15 (NASB)**

NOW THIS MAN ACQUIRED A FIELD WITH THE  
PRICE OF HIS WICKEDNESS, AND FALLING  
HEADLONG, HE BURST OPEN IN THE MIDDLE  
AND ALL HIS INTESTINES GUSHED OUT. AND IT  
BECAME KNOWN TO ALL WHO WERE LIVING IN  
JERUSALEM; SO THAT IN THEIR OWN  
LANGUAGE THAT FIELD WAS CALLED  
HAKELDAMA, THAT IS, FIELD OF BLOOD.

**ACTS 1:18-19 (NASB)**



**1) Judas & Peter Were Confronted With The Same Problem...**

- A) Judas knew things weren't working out the way he anticipated (John 12:4-6; Matthew 26:14-16). Jesus reached out to Judas, but Judas responded with rebellion (Mark 14:18-21).
  
- B) Peter knew things weren't working out the way he anticipated (John 13:6-8). Jesus reached out to Peter, but Peter responded with rebellion (John 13:36-38).

**2) Judas & Peter's Responses Were Similar...**

- A) Rather than respond to Jesus, Judas chose to betray Him (Matthew 26:47-50).
  
- B) Rather than respond to Jesus, Peter chose to betray Him (Luke 22:55-62).

**3) Two Different Responses...**

- A) Judas dies in his own guilt (Matthew 27:3-5; Acts 1:18-19).
  
- B) Peter marvels at Christ's resurrection and seeks personal interaction (Luke 24:12; John 21:15-17).