

A script from



“At the Cross: Peter or 'Quicksand'”

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- What** The disciple Peter reflects on being named “Rock” and how ironic that was at points in his life. **Themes:** Easter, Disciple, Faith
- Who** Peter
- When** Bible times
- Wear (Props)** Bible costume, or simply wear black
- Why** Matthew 16:17-18
- How** Peter is speaking to the audience, but really practice this as if you’re talking to one person. Try not to be too overdramatic. Make him real and relatable.
- Time** Approximately 1-2 minutes

Peter: Of course I remember. You'd remember it too. If someone came to you and said, "You! You are no longer called Simon, but Peter." He gave me a new name. Peter. Peter means "rock". And from that point on, I was Peter the Rock. Except when I wasn't. And I wasn't a rock when they arrested him in the garden. With a sword, I cut off the ear of the servant of the high priest, Malcus was his name. Jesus rebuked me as he healed the man. And I wasn't a rock when they put him on trial. I denied ever knowing him to spare my own wasted life. And I wasn't a rock when they finally crucified him. You won't find my name listed as one of those who stood at the cross. I am brash and I'm hard-headed. I'm naïve, weak and so afraid. And my friend, he's dead. *(Crying out and up to heaven)* O God, I'm not a rock! *(Quietly, as though to himself)* You should have named me "Quicksand".

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