

BIBLE DISCOVERY

Peter was feeling rubbish! Why? He had let down his best friend Jesus. He had said he would never leave Jesus but when it came to it, when Jesus was arrested, Peter had been like everyone else. He had let Jesus down. But then, after Jesus had died, he came alive again! Peter was really confused now, as well as feeling rubbish! How could he ever look Jesus in the face? How could he ever forgive himself?

But then, as we heard in our Bible reading, Jesus showed that he had forgiven Peter for letting him down. He still loved him. Peter was so thrilled! Suddenly everything had changed – he wasn't rubbish after all! And Jesus had given him a job to do, to follow him and to look after the people who Jesus loved. Peter was transformed. Wow!

And God wants all of us to leave behind the rubbish in our lives, which was referred to as the darkness throughout Wastewatchers. Only because of Jesus' death and coming alive again is it possible for us to be forgiven and to get rid of the rubbish in our lives. The dark rubbish is everything that we know is not good and does not please God. Jesus came as light for the world to give light that gives life. This is not just a message for the children and adults who have been part of Wastewatchers but to everyone here!

And if there is someone here who would like to know more about being transformed you can speak to me or any member of the team who are all wearing 'Wastewatchers' T-shirts.

One last point: God also wants us to make a difference to his world by doing things to help the environment. As we are transformed, so God wants us to transform the world around us. God told the first people to look after the world, and that's still true today.

