

1 Corinthians. 13:1-13 Love Chapter,

What Love is - Patient, kind, rejoices with truth, bears all things, believes all things, hopes and endures all things.

What love isn't - jealous, brag, arrogant, act unbecoming, doesn't seek it's own, not easily provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness. Above all God's love never fails.

Child - speaks, thinks, and reasons like a child  
Man/woman - does away with childish things. [mature]

2 Peter 3:18, But "grow" in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Some of the Character Traits that Apostle Peter Needed to "Grow" - Develop.

Submission—

John 21:6-8, Jesus said, Peter, "cast the net on the right side of the boat and you will find a catch. Peter was known to be a hot-head, impatient with people, who underperformed, he was easily irritated.

Restraint—

John 18:10, Simon Peter then, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest slave, and cut off his right ear, and the slaves name was Malchus. [Jesus did restore his ear]  
Peter was bold, but the devil told/ask permission of Jesus that he wanted to shift Peter like wheat  
[Luke 22:31] the devil's will is not sovereign, [having supreme power of authority] but rather all his treacherous work is governed by God's will.

Humility—

Luke 22: 59-62, Peter denies Jesus three times, and then the rooster crows, Peter remembered the word the Lord had told him.

Servant leadership, Mark 9:35, Jesus called the twelve disciples and told them "if you want to be first, he shall be the last of all, servant of all".

Natural Character qualities-- Matt. 14:22-33, Peter was the only one to get out of the boat and walk on the water toward Jesus. Matt. 16: 16, Peter was the only one to acknowledge that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Boldness/Courage of the Holy Spirit--, Act 2: 1-47, Pentecost came they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and Peter preached that day and about three- thousand souls were added to the Kingdom that day.

Love/Devotion, John 21: 15-17, Jesus asks Peter three times does he love Him.  
"Tend My lambs, Shepherd My sheep, Tend My sheep"  
[Three affirmations, because of three denials?]

According to the ancient writers of biblical history, Peter is believed to have been martyred by being crucified upside down, because he did not feel worthy to be crucified in the same way Jesus was.

I have always been interested in Peter's walk and how his own natural character that God designed in him, was molded and shaped into being a great vessel used by the Lord. Each and every one of us when yielded to the Lord and the working of the Holy Spirit, has a great potential for the work of the Kingdom of God.

Amen

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