Northwest Bible Church – May 15, 2016 – Worship Service – Alan Conner

**Jn. 21:18-19**

*Peter’s Martyrdom*

Intro

**A. JESUS FORETELLS PETER’S DEATH (vv. 18-19).**

*“Truly, truly” –*

1) Peter in his younger days (v. 18a).

2) Peter in his old age (v. 18b-19).

3) Why does Jesus gives Peter a foreshadowing of what lay ahead.

4) His death will glorify God.

**B. JESUS COMMANDS PETER TO “FOLLOW ME!” (v. 19).**

1) Lifestyle command.

2) Immediate command.

**C. DEATH AND THE BELIEVER.**

1) Death is certain unless the Lord returns. *Heb. 9:27*

2) Our day of death has been determined by God. *Job 14:5; Ps. 139:16*

3) The Lord does not expect us to enjoy death. *2 Cor. 5:4; Mt. 26:39*

4) Death is one of the greatest blessings for the believer. *Phil. 1:21*

5) Believers can profit from considering their death.

a) Not in a morbid way, but to grow in wisdom. *Ps. 90:12*

b) Helps us to consider what is really important. *Rom. 12:1; Mt. 6:19*

c) What lies beyond death is a source of joy for the believer. *Rom. 8:18*

d) Death is a means of glorifying God. *1 Cor. 10:31*

Conclusion