

Where is Mary?

1 Peter and 2 Peter Outlined

Peter (whom the Catholics claim was the first pope) wrote two books of the Bible, and though he covered the main areas of Christianity, **NOT ONCE did Peter ever mention Mary, not even by inference, FOR ANYTHING.** In his books, the apostle Peter specifically wrote on the following matters:

(1 Peter) The apostle Peter wrote on:

- * grace (1 Pet 1:2; 1:13);
- * the new birth and the resurrection of Jesus Christ (1 Pet 1:3);
- * heaven (1 Pet 1:4);
- * faith, being shielded by God's power and salvation (1 Pet 1:5);
- * suffering grief in all kinds of trials (1 Pet 1:6);
- * the goal of our faith, the salvation of your souls (1 Pet 1:9);
- * God's prophets (1 Pet 1:10);
- * the gospel (1 Pet 1:12);
- * evil desires (1 Pet 1:14);
- * holiness (1 Pet 1:15,16);
- * prayer to the Father (1 Pet 1:17);
- * redemption by Jesus' blood (1 Pet 1:18,19);
- * Christian love (1 Pet 1:22);
- * born again through the living and enduring word of God (1 Pet 1:23);
- * the word of the Lord is forever standing and his word was preached to them (1 Pet 1:25);
- * sin (1 Pet 2:1);
- * how newborn babies in Christ may grow (1 Pet 2:2);
- * Jesus, the living Stone (1 Pet 2:4);

- * the universal priesthood of believers (1 Pet 2:5);
- * Jesus is to be the focus of our faith (1 Pet 2:6);
- * our praises to God (1 Pet 2:9);
- * before and after receiving God's mercy (1 Pet 2:10);
- * the spiritual war against our soul (1 Pet 2:11);
- * live among pagans and having observable good deeds (1 Pet 2:12);
- * submit to the authorities instituted among men (1 Pet 2:13,14);
- * live as servants of God (1 Pet 2:16);
- * show proper respect to everyone: Love the brotherhood of believers, fear God, honor the king (1 Pet 2:17);
- * slaves and the pain of unjust suffering because of being conscious of God (1 Pet 2:18-20);
- * Christ, the example (1 Pet 2:21-23);
- * Jesus was sinless (1 Pet 2:22);
- * Jesus himself bore our sins in his body on the cross (1 Pet 2:24);
- * Wives (1 Pet 3:1-6);
- * Husbands (1 Pet 3:7);
- * everyone (1 Pet 3:8-11);
- * For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil (1 Pet 3:12);
- * if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear what they fear; do not be frightened." (1 Pet 3:14);
- * set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect (1 Pet 3:15);
- * keep a clear conscience (1 Pet 3:16);
- * one sacrifice for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit (1 Pet 3:18);
- * Jesus preached to the spirits in prison - the disobedient in Noah's day (1 Pet 3:19,20);

- * water baptism - for a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ (1 Pet 3:21);
- * Jesus is at God's right hand - with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him (1 Pet 3:22);
- * arm yourselves with the attitude of Christ, because he who has suffered in his body is done with sin (1 Pet 4:1,2);
- * the life of the lost (1 Pet 4:3);
- * the separated life of a Christian (1 Pet 4:4);
- * two types of people - the living and the dead (1 Pet 4:5,6);
- * the end of all things is near, be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray (1 Pet 4:7);
- * love each other deeply (1 Pet 4:8);
- * offer hospitality without grumbling (1 Pet 4:9);
- * use whatever gift you received to serve others (1 Pet 4:10);
- * speakers should speak as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides (1 Pet 4:11);
- * painful trials for Christians are not something strange (1 Pet 4:12);
- * rejoice in your painful trials - that you participate in the sufferings of Christ (1 Pet 4:13);
- * insults because of the name of Christ show you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you (1 Pet 4:14);
- * unrighteous and sinful suffering (1 Pet 4:15);
- * righteous suffering as a Christian - do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name (1 Pet 4:16);
- * the family of God and those who do not obey the gospel of God (1 Pet 4:17);
- * the Christian life - "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" (1 Pet 4:18);
- * the persecuted is to continue to do good (1 Pet 4:19);
- * to the elders (1 Pet 5:1-4);
- * young men (1 Pet 5:5);

- * humble yourselves (1 Pet 5:6);
- * Cast all your anxiety on God (1 Pet 5:7);
- * be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings (1 Pet 5:8,9);
- * to the God of all grace be power for ever and ever (1 Pet 5:10,11);
- * this epistle is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it (1 Pet 5:12);
- * Mark is mentioned (1 Pet 5:13);
- * Greet one another with a kiss of love (1 Pet 5:14);

(2 Peter) The apostle Peter wrote on:

- * the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Pet 1:1);
- * Grace and peace (2 Pet 1:2);
- * we have been given everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him (2 Pet 1:3);
- * we may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires by his promises (2 Pet 1:4);
- * make every effort to add to your faith (2 Pet 1:5-7);
- * they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ (2 Pet 1:8);
- * the nearsighted and blind have forgotten that they have been cleansed from their past sins (2 Pet 1:9);
- * be all the more eager to make your calling and election sure. For if you do these things, you will never fall, and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Pet 1:10,11);
- * being reminded (2 Pet 1:13);
- * referred to his own physical death (2 Pet 1:14,15);
- * eyewitnesses of his majesty; God's word is more sure than God's audible voice - pay attention to his word (2 Pet 1:16-19);
- * no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation (2 Pet 1:20);

- * prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit (2 Pet 1:21);
- * false prophets of the past and greedy false teachers now, who will mislead many (2 Pet. 2:1-3);
- * God judgment on the angels when they sinned (2 Pet 2:4);
- * God judged the ancient world by the flood, but protected Noah and 7 others (2 Pet 2:5);
- * God condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah by burning them to ashes, and made them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly (2 Pet 2:6);
- * God rescued Lot (2 Pet 2:7);
- * God rescues godly men from trials and to holds the unrighteous for the day of judgment, while continuing their punishment (2 Pet 2:9);
- * sinful, bold and arrogant false teachers (2 Pet 2:11-14);
- * apostates who wandered off to follow the way of Balaam (2 Pet 2:15,16);
- * Those false teachers are springs without water and mists driven by a storm. Blackest darkness is reserved for them (2 Pet 2:17);
- * they target new converts by promising them freedom, while they themselves are slaves of depravity (2 Pet 2:18,19);
- * they were once saved, but worse off now than before they escaped sin (2 Pet 2:20,21);
- * be stimulated to wholesome thinking (2 Pet 3:1);
- * recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles (2 Pet 3:2);
- * last day scoffers about Jesus' coming (2 Pet 3:3,4);
- * the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire (2 Pet 3:7);
- * God's view of time (2 Pet 3:8);
- * God want all to repent to not perish (2 Pet 3:9);
- * the day of the Lord will come like a thief and the heavens will disappear (2 Pet 3:10);
- * everything will be destroyed in this way (2 Pet 3:11);
- * live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming (2 Pet 3:11,12);

- * we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness (2 Pet 3:13);
- * make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him (2 Pet 3:14);
- * Paul's writings are scripture and have been distorted by some to their own destruction (2 Pet 3:15,16);
- * be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position (2 Pet 3:17);
- * grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Pet 3:18).

Peter knew the real Mary of the Bible and her spiritual importance. Her non-importance is reflected in his epistles with his loud and deafening silence about Mary.

Peter's Holy Spirit inspired dogma is massively different from the fantasy Catholic Mary (mariology) portrayed as **the sinless, sovereign 'queen of heaven and earth,' the mediatrix and dispenser of ALL grace, the refuge of sinners, 'our life, sweetness and hope,' to whom we are to pray TO, even at the hour of our death, give devotions and consecration to, etc. Catholicism has also granted more names and titles for their Mary than God's word has for the Lord Jesus. *Be assured, such a woman like that does NOT exist anywhere in God's word.***

It is to be noted that when Peter mentioned the *sinlessness* of Jesus (1 Pet. 2:22), Mary was not included in that unique attribute. Additionally, twice Peter described who was *blessed* (1 Pet. 3:14; 4:14), and neither time did he include Mary or exalt her. Hence, Mary's giving birth to Jesus did not warrant special consideration, further demonstrating the error of the woman in Luke 11:27,28, whom Jesus publicly rebuked for exalting his mother that way. Moreover, the error of the woman of Luke 11 exemplifies that same common Catholic error of our day.

Similarly, Paul wrote one half of the New Testament books and mentioned every subject related to Christianity, yet only referred to Mary in this passing tertiary way: "But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, BORN OF A WOMAN, born under law, " (Gal 4:4)

QUESTION: Do YOU love God's truth? Which Mary do you believe was the mother of Jesus? Get much more information about these matters here: EvangelicalOutreach.org/catholic.htm