

## 1, & 2 Peter – Epistles of Peter

Target read by date **30<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

### Background

**Size: 5+3 chapters**

**Who wrote it?** The Apostle Peter. Unlike Paul, who boasted of his learning Peter was a fisherman and described in Acts 4:13 as unlearned. Peter traditionally known to have been crucified upside down.

**Theme.** 1 Peter concentrates on dealing with suffering. 2 Peter is associated with the letter of Jude.

**When did he write it?** AD60-64 & AD64-65.

**Other works linked to the author:** There are many apocryphal works:

Gospel of Peter, Acts of Peter, Acts of Peter and Andrew, Acts of Peter and Paul, Acts of Peter and the Twelve, Gnostic Apocalypse of Peter, A Letter of Peter to Philip, which was preserved in the Nag Hammadi library, Apocalypse of Peter, The Epistula Petri.