

BE A BRINGER


"40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus...." John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:


PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

"Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;...." I Samuel 12:23a



MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

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PRAISE

- Praise God for the opportunity to participate in the Missions Conference of Vision Baptist Church in Glendale, Arizona. It was a great time of challenge and Christian fellowship.
- Praise God for increased attendance especially in the 8-12 age group. Many young people are attending as well. On Easter, we were able to baptize eleven young people.

PRAY

- Pray for the people of San Carlos and the violence there, especially for the family of Emily Pike.
- Pray for Pam as she has had some health challenges. She was recently diagnosed with a hernia and stomach polyps. All the polyps were benign and no surgery was needed. She is also having a "bone replacement therapy" after another fracture in her foot.



Handout: 09/21/25

Study Date: 09/28/25

Jesus Ask: Who Am I?

In the dialogue between Jesus and His disciples captured in Matthew 16:15-16, we witness a profound moment of personal revelation and faith. Jesus, after inquiring about public opinion regarding His identity, turns the question towards His disciples, prompting them to ponder their own beliefs. The pivotal question, "Who do you say I am?" transcends time and challenges each believer to reflect on their understanding and relationship with Jesus. It is a question that demands a personal response, emphasizing the intimate nature of faith and the necessity of individual conviction.

Peter's response, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God," encapsulates a profound truth about Jesus' identity. In acknowledging Jesus as the promised Savior and divine Son of God, Peter affirms His unique role in God's plan for humanity. This declaration not only solidifies Peter's faith but also serves as a model for all believers to boldly proclaim their understanding of Jesus' true identity.

The consistency of Peter's confession is evident in other biblical passages such as John 6:68-69, where he again recognizes Jesus as the Holy One of God. These affirmations of Jesus' divine nature are further reinforced in Matthew 3:17, where a voice from heaven declares Jesus as the beloved Son of God. Additionally, Paul's words in Philippians 2:9-11 underscore Jesus' exalted status and divine authority, further illuminating His identity.

The relevance of this passage extends to contemporary believers, prompting us to consider our own response to Jesus' question. Just as Jesus challenged His disciples, He challenges each of us today to contemplate, "Who do you say I am?" This inquiry invites personal reflection, urging us to move beyond inherited faith and cultivate a deep, personal relationship with Jesus. Understanding Jesus as the Messiah and Son of God not only shapes our identity and purpose but also calls us to live out His teachings and love in our daily lives.

Resource: [Godsblessing](http://Godsblessing.com)

KEY VERSE

Matthew 16:15 (NKJV)

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Read Matthew 16:13-19 Every Day

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Matthew 16:15

Introduction

1. In Matthew 16:15, Jesus asks his disciples "*who do you say that I am?*" Why do YOU think this was pertinent question for Jesus to ask them?
2. According to paragraph 2 on pg. 1 how does Peter respond to Jesus' question in Matthew 16:15? What does Peter's answer teach us?

Tuesday: Matthew 16:13-14; II John 1:7-11; John 10:19-21

Question The Identity Of Jesus

3. According to Matthew 16:13-14 what response did the disciples give to Jesus' question? Whom did the people mistake Him for in verse 14?
4. What do we learn from II John 1:7-11? Why must we be watchful for "*deceivers?*" Why are we called to "*abide in the doctrine of Christ?*"

Wednesday: Matthew 16:15-17; Romans 10:9; John 6:44a

Confess Jesus Is The Christ

5. Romans 10:9 informs us of perhaps the most important act we must perform as followers of Christ! How will we be *saved* according to the scripture?
6. Who among us can ultimately come to Christ? Who are we as His followers actually "*drawn*" by according to John 6:44a?

Thursday: Mat. 16:18a; Acts 4:10-12,10:25-26; 1 Cor. 3:11

Honor Jesus As The Founder Of The Church

7. While He refers to Peter in the scripture, Jesus makes the statement in Matthew 16:18a "*on this rock I will build my church.*" Who is the rock?
8. In Acts 4:10-12 Jesus is referred to as the "*chief cornerstone*" that the "*builders*" had rejected. What purpose does a *cornerstone* serve?
9. What message is I Corinthians 3:11 conveying to us in the statement; "*for no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid?*"

Friday: Matthew 6:18b, 19; I Corinthians 3:6-8

Partner With Jesus In Building His Church

10. Who is Jesus giving "*the keys to the kingdom*" to in Matthew 16:19? Once they have accepted these keys, what will be their mission?
11. What are we being called to in the example of Paul and Apollos in I Corinthians 3:6? What is meant by "*I planted, Apollos watered?*"
12. How often are YOU taking time to "plant" or "water" as Paul and Apollos did? What steps can you take to increase your *planting* and *watering*?