

III. HONOR JESUS AS THE _____ OF THE CHURCH

¹⁸ *"And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock..."* Matthew 16:18a

A. The _____ View: Peter is the rock.

¹⁰ *"let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole.*

¹¹ *This is the 'stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.'*

¹² *Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."* Acts 4:10-12

²⁵ *"As Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him and fell down at his feet and worshiped him.*

²⁶ *But Peter lifted him up, saying, 'Stand up; I myself am also a man.'" Acts 10:25-26*

B. The _____ View: Jesus is The Rock

⁶ *"Therefore, it is also contained in the Scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, and he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame."* I Peter 2:6

¹¹ *"For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ."* I Corinthians 3:11

IV. _____ WITH JESUS IN BUILDING HIS CHURCH

A. Jesus will _____ his church.

¹⁸ *"... I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it."* Matthew 16:18b

This is the first Biblical reference of the word "church."

B. Jesus will use believers to proclaim the _____.

¹⁹ *"And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."* Matthew 16:19

WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM? JESUS IS THE CHRIST

BIBLE QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Jesus Ask: Who Am I?

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Introduction:

A. Do you know how many questions there are in the Bible? A lot! There are over 3200 questions asked in the Bible. The first question is asked in Genesis 3 and the last question is asked in Revelation 18. The Bible is a book of both questions and answers!

These questions include numerous topics. Perhaps the most important category is that of Bible doctrine. Doctrine refers to essential beliefs found within the Bible which are systematically organized and understood.

Titus 2:1 instructs, *"But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine."*

B. Join us for Bible Questions Answered as we answer seven compelling questions in the Bible about seven core areas of doctrine. Come and discover the essential teachings of the Christian faith and be equipped to know what you believe and why you believe it.

Aug 17 Satan Ask: Did God Really Say That?

Aug 24 David Ask: What is Man?

Aug 31 David Ask: Where Can I go From Your Presence?

Sept 7 Paul Ask: Shall We Continue In Sin?

Sept 14 Jailor Ask: What Must I Do To Be Saved?

Sept 21 Disciples Ask: What Are The Signs Of The End?

TODAY Jesus Ask: Who Am I?

C. TEXT Matthew 16:13-19

Jesus' question pertains to the doctrine of Christ.

¹⁵ *"He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?'"*
Matthew 16:15

HOW TO KNOW THE IDENTITY OF JESUS

I. _____ THE IDENTITY OF JESUS

A. The _____ of the question was Caesarea Philippi.

¹³ *"When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi..."* Matthew 16:13a

Jesus went to a region that was strongly identified with various religions.

B. The _____ of the question was the identity of Jesus.

¹³ *"...He asked His disciples, saying, 'Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?'"* Matthew 16:13b

⁷ *"For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.*

⁸ *Look to yourselves, that we do not lose those things we worked for, but that we may receive a full reward.*

⁹ *Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.*

¹⁰ *If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him;*

¹¹ *for he who greets him shares in his evil deeds."*
II John 7-11

C. The _____ of the question were the many opinions.

¹⁴ *"So they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.'"*
Matthew 16:14

¹⁹ *"Therefore, there was a division again among the Jews because of these sayings.*

²⁰ *And many of them said, 'He has a demon and is mad. Why do you listen to Him?'*

²¹ *Others said, "These are not the words of one who has a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?"*
John 10:19-21

II. _____ JESUS IS THE CHRIST

A. It's a _____ confession.

¹⁵ *"He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?'"*
Matthew 16:15

B. It's a _____ confession.

¹⁶ *"Simon Peter answered and said, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.'"* Matthew 16:16

Peter stated the truth! Jesus is God who took on flesh to save us. "Christ" means Anointed Messiah.

The _____ for Jesus being the Messiah includes:

- Jesus fulfilled the Old Testament _____ credentials.
- Jesus performed many _____ authenticating His Divine nature.
- Jesus _____ from the dead!
- Jesus _____ lives.

C. It is a _____ confession.

¹⁶ *"Simon Peter answered and said, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.'*

¹⁷ *Jesus answered and said to him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah...'"* Matthew 16:16-17a

⁹ *"that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."* Romans 10:9

D. It's a _____ confession.

¹⁷ *"...for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven."* Matthew 16:17b

Salvation comes not by human investigation, but by supernatural _____.

⁴⁴ *"No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him..."*
John 6:44a