

IDENTIFYING THE MAN ON A MISSION
(Matthew 16:13-23)

I. Who Is The Man Jesus Christ? (Mt 16:13-23)

A. Who Do People Say That He Is? (Mt.16:13-14)

1. Some say you are _____ (Mt 14:1-12)
2. Some say you are _____ (Mal. 4:5-6)
3. Some think you may be _____
4. Others think you are one of the _____

B. But Who Do You (The Disciples) Say I Am? (Mt. 16:15-17)

1. Peter as the spokesman for the apostles say “you are the _____, the _____”

- Now what did this imply?

“the Christ” (Christos)

“the Son of the Living God”

- What scriptural evidence do we have of this?

- a. Jesus claimed to be the _____ of God
- b. Jesus claimed to be the _____
- c. Jesus claimed to be _____ with God
- d. Jesus claimed to be able to _____
- e. Jesus repeatedly claimed to be the great “_____”

2. Jesus _____ Peter’s confession as _____ (16:17) ... but he qualified it with these remarks:

- a. This was not something Peter thought up _____ or heard from someone else – “_____ & _____” had nothing to do with Peter knowing this! (it was not of _____ origin)

b. This was _____ to him by God the _____—it was a spiritual truth from _____ that had come to Peter.

- What is your explanation for that?

C. What was Jesus About To Reveal? (Mt. 16:18-20)

1. Based on Peter's confession of Jesus, as the _____ of scripture, Jesus announced, "_____"

- According to God's word, who is the "Rock" of scripture?

- In Matthew 16:18 Jesus said"

I - Christ _____ is the ultimate _____ of His Church

Will – he predicted the beginning of the church to be _____ from this declaration

Build- the building would involve a _____ to build it

My – the church belongs to _____ as He _____ to give it life!

Church- Christ promised to build the _____ church, the church which is His _____!

2. The *durability* of His Church is reflected in His words, " *the gates of _____ would not be able _____ against it*"

3. Jesus would use Peter as a _____, not to be the *cornerstone* of the church, as some think, but to help establish the universal church by introducing _____ (Acts 2), as well as _____ (Acts 10) into it! (16:19)

D. What Was Jesus Present Mission? (Mt. 16:21-23)

1. As the Christ of God, Jesus was going to Jerusalem, to be _____ by the religious leaders of the nation, to be _____ and _____ the 3rd day, all according to scripture. This would provide the _____ sacrifice that would provide _____ for any sinner who would _____ in Christ (16:21)

2. Peter attempted to _____ Jesus, by stating this _____ happen to you! (16:22)

3. But Jesus _____ Peter for being an _____ to Him and for thinking like the _____! (16:23)

- So what does all this mean for you & me?