

9. What were the various views people held about who Jesus was?
10. Jesus preached a fiery message of repentance like whom?
11. Jesus had the zeal and intensity of whom?
12. Jesus had the heart and compassion of whom?
13. Why was it important that the disciples have the accurate picture of who Jesus was?
14. What is the first monumental reality in Peter's great confession?
15. The words, "Christ", "Christos", and Masheach" all mean what?
16. The people had in their minds a Messiah who was what?
17. What was the second monumental reality in Peter's great confession?
18. The Son of the living God is a title of what?
19. It is safe to assume that no Jewish person believed their Messiah would be whom?
20. What conclusion had the Lord's disciples come to regarding Him?
21. Verse 17 tells us that Peter couldn't and didn't do what?
22. Who had opened up the truth to Peter and the other disciples?
23. Who is the head of the church?
24. Jesus is the foundation of the church and that foundation was laid by the message preached through whom?
25. The church is built on what reality?
26. It is almost certain that Jesus and His disciples were in the place that today is called what?
27. The Baal Religion taught that every year Baal went down where to spend the winters?
28. The phrase "and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it..." is to say what about all false gods of all cultures?
29. What gospel is the only one of the four to use the word "church"?
30. What is unique about Jesus' use of the words, "My church"?
31. In what chapter of the Bible did the church begin?
32. Jesus started one Christian organization or ministry: the church. What is your attitude like regarding the church? Are you interested in the church? What about your commitment to the church and involvement and support for the church?
33. Are you like one who only wants to date the church?
34. What does the idea of a "bride" have to do with Christ and the church?
35. Do you share Christ's love for His church?
36. What is Jesus doing right now?

37. Who had the unique privilege to unlock the kingdom for others during the early years of the church?

38. “Bind” and “loose” were Jewish rabbinical terms that meant what?

39. When Peter declared forgiveness to the Jews, Samaritans, or Gentiles who repented, he was simply acting in concert with what?

40. Why did Jesus not want His disciples to tell anyone that He is the Messiah?

41. With the cross right around the corner, this was no time for what kind of followers or what kind of commitment?

42. Does Matthew 16:24 describe you?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

»»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

»»How can I accomplish this change?

»»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

1) Read Matthew 1:1-16:20

2) Re-read Matthew 16:24-28 and evaluate your life in light of what Jesus says in this section of Scripture. Meditate (give contemplation to) this section of Scripture.

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Matthew 16:13-20

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1. Who made the most important statement ever uttered?
2. As we come to our text today, we are how many years into Jesus’ ministry?
3. Though many people knew of Jesus, not nearly as many had an accurate what?
4. What did Jesus continue to do in relation to the public during these final months of His life and ministry?
5. As His time to go to the cross got closer, Jesus spent far more time in private with whom?
6. To get away, Jesus went to the far northern section of Israel into what region?
7. Caesarea Philippi was located at the base of what mountain and how many miles north of Galilee?
8. What questions did Jesus ask the disciples regarding other people?

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