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'Who Do You Say I Am?'



Matthew 16:13-21

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Also Mark 8:22-30, Luke 9:18-20

2 THE TIME

2.1.1 *Been with tiring crowds Matt 15 v 29-39*

2.1.2 *Facing opposition Matt 15:1-12 & 16:1-12*

2.1.3 *Time to rest and time to teach v21*

3 THE PLACE

3.1 The area of Caesarea Philippi

3.1.1 *Distant, gentile area*

3.1.2 *A place steeped in religion*

3.1.3 *Canaanite, 14 Baal Temples*

3.1.4 *Jewish, rising of the Jordan*

3.1.5 *Greek, birthplace of Pan*

3.1.6 *Roman, huge new temple to Caesar*

4 THE QUESTION

4.1 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?'

4.1.1 *John the Baptist.*

4.1.2 *Elijah.*

4.1.3 *Jeremiah.*

4.1.4 *One of the prophets*

4.1.5 *Confusion!*

4.2 But what about you?' he asked. 'Who do you say I am?'

4.2.1 *A question of huge importance*

4.2.2 *'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.'*

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4.3 'What Do You Believe About Jesus?' A Survey Question used on mission

4.3.1 *He never existed*

4.3.2 *He was a good man and nothing more*

4.3.3 *He was a prophet or messenger from God*

4.3.4 *He is the only son of God*

4.3.5 *Something else*

4.4 What do you think people today would say? How would you answer this question? How would you explain your answer to someone?

5 THE RESPONSE

5.1 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God'.

5.1.1 *Blasphemy? Outrage? Joy?*

5.1.2 *Acceptance* v 17

5.1.3 *Revelation* v 17

5.1.4 *Affirmation* v 18 – 19

5.2 Based on that revelation, Jesus could go on and teach the disciples new things v 19-28

6 WE SAY.....?

6.1 Our response

'If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved'. Romans 10 v 9

And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Joel 2:32, Acts 2:21

In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents Luke 19 v 10

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7 PETER DECLARES THAT JESUS IS THE MESSIAH

Matt 16:13-20

13 *When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “**Who do people say the Son of Man is?**”*

14 *They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”*

15 **“But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”**

16 *Simon Peter answered, “**You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.**”*

17 *Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven.*

18 *And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.*

19 *I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”*

20 *Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.*

21 **From that time on** *Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.*