

NEXT

Week 1

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

[Matthew 16:13]

"They replied, 'Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.'"

[Matthew 16:14]

"But **what about you?**" he asked. "Who do **you** say I am?"

[Matthew 16:15]

"Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.'"

[Matthew 16:16]

"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. 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.'"

[Matthew 16:17-18]

1. Committed to Jesus

"All this energy issues from Christ: God raised him from death and set him on a throne in deep heaven, in charge of running the universe, everything from galaxies to governments, no name and no power exempt from his rule. And not just for the time being, but forever. He is in charge of it all, has the final word on everything. At the center of all this, Christ rules the church. The church, you see, is not peripheral to the world; the world is peripheral to the church. The church is Christ's body, in which he speaks and acts, by which he fills everything with his presence."

[Ephesians 1:20-23 MSG]

"...I will build my church."

[Matthew 16:18]

Ek- out of

Kaleo- to call

2. Committed to Jesus' cause

We're called to someone to do something.

"...I will build my church."

[Matthew 16:18]

3. Committed to Jesus' cure

"...and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it."

[Matthew 16:18]

4. Committed to Jesus' kingdom