



Upon This Rock!

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Text: Matthew 16:13-20

Passage Summary: If we want to understand the blessed significance of the phrase, "Upon this rock" (Matthew 16:18), we have to be willing to _____ the single most important _____ we will ever encounter in our lifetime!

180 Degree Truth #1: See that the single most important question we will ever encounter in our lifetime is to you personally, "_____ is Jesus _____?" (16:13-20)

Application: Recognize that when it comes to Jesus...

- He is the _____, the _____ of the Living God! (v.13-16)

"But what about you?" he asked. 'Who do you say I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.'"
Matthew 16:15-16

Remember: When it comes to Jesus, our _____ will not change the fact that He is the Christ, the Son of the Living God; the only question that remains is, "Is He _____?"

"He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life."
1 John 5:12

- He wants to radically and eternally _____ your _____! (v.17-20)

See that Jesus wants to radically and eternally change your life through an...

Unmerited _____: Only by the _____ of God can we confess Jesus as our Messiah and Savior! (v.17)

"For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ."

2 Corinthians 4:6

Unconquerable _____: Jesus will build His church, and not even _____ itself will prevail against it! (v.18)

"Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Corinthians 15:55-57

Unparalleled _____: We are _____ for Christ, through which God can invite others into His Kingdom! (v.19-20)

Remember: When it comes to Jesus, He came to give us _____ over Satan sin and death, or in the words of John 10:10, "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have _____ and have it to the full."

Core Conviction to Live By: Resolutely determine that while things for the church will become increasingly difficult in the days ahead, that you will find the courage and the confidence to persevere through your knowledge of the truth that the church is built upon the immovable rock of Christ!

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock."

Matthew 7:24-25