

JESUS AND HIS CHURCH

Scripture Reading: Matthew 16:13-20

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Introduction:

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P. There is a strong relationship between Jesus and His church.

I. What is Jesus' role with His church?

T. In this lesson we will examine 3 actions Jesus has with His church.

I. JESUS ESTABLISHED HIS CHURCH

A. JESUS BUILT HIS CHURCH

1. The great confession of Peter -Mt 16:13-16
2. Jesus promises to build His church -Mt 16:17-19
 - a. Upon the rock (petra) feminine for large rock.
 - b. Peter is "petros" masculine for small rock.
 - c. Therefore, the church would be built upon the confession of the deity of Jesus, not upon Peter.
3. The gates of hades would not prevail against it.

B. JESUS PURCHASED THE CHURCH

1. He purchased the church with His own blood -Ac 20:28
2. We were redeemed by His blood -Ep 1:7; 1Pe 1:18, 19
3. Therefore, Jesus owns the church; no one else comes close.
 - a. There are no other saviors -Ac 4:12
 - b. There are no other ways to salvation -Jn 14:6

II. JESUS LEADS HIS CHURCH

A. HE HAS ALL AUTHORITY

1. The Great Commission -Mt 28:18
2. He is the head of the church (body) -Ep 1:22, 23; Co 1:18
3. His will for us is revealed in His word -1Co 14:37

B. HE IS THE CHIEF CORNERSTONE -1Pe 2:4-10

1. This is according to prophecy as Peter points out
2. All other stones must align with Him (ie. We must submit unto Him)
3. The great benefits -vs. 9, 10

III. JESUS SAVES HIS CHURCH

A. HIS IS OUR GREAT REDEEMER

1. We have been saved through His blood -Ep 1:7; Re 1:5, 5:9
2. He had delivered us -Co 1:13, 14; Ac 26:17, 18
3. He adds us to the church -Ac 2:47

B. ENTRANCE IS ONLY THROUGH JESUS

1. Salvation is in Christ -2Ti 2:10
2. We are baptized into Christ's death -Ro 6:3, 4
3. Having been baptized into Christ, we put on Christ -Ga 3:26, 27

Conclusion:

Some believe there are many roads to heaven, but consider:

- Jesus said there are only two paths -Mt 7:13, 14
- Jesus alone is the way -Jn 14:6
- There was only one door to the ark -Ge 6:16
- There is only one door to the sheep -Jn 10:7, 9