## Church Sub Theme for 2019-23: "What's The Church Supposed To Be Like?!" (Problems in the Church)

## Sunday November 12, 2023 Sermon Outline

## II. THE LORD ASKED THE DISCIPLES WHO THE PEOPLE THOUGHT HE WAS

- A. The Lord Now Was In The District Of Caesarea Philippi, Mt. 16:13a
  - --25 miles or so, North of where He healed the blind man
- B. He Was Praying There Alone And The Disciples Were With Him, Lk. 9:18a
- C. He Was Asking His Disciples Who The People Say He "The Son Of Man" Is, Mt. 16:13b
  - 1. Some say John the Baptist, v-14a
  - 2. Others say Elijah, v-14b
  - 3. Others say, Jeremiah, v-14c
  - 4. Others say, one of the O. T. Prophets resurrected, Lk. 9:19b
    - --Similar in ministry.

## III. THE LORD ASKS THE DISCIPLES WHO THEY THOUGHT HE WAS, Mt. 16:15

- --Where are they now?
- --How much do they understand now?
- --Have they grown any recently?
- --Any growth since the blind man was healed?
- A. Peter Answers (For the Disciples?) Mt. 16:16
  - 1. He confessed that they knew He was the Christ (Messiah) the Son of the Living God. --Cf. Isa. 9:6 --Fulfilling Prophecy!

- 2. Everything said Who He was!
  - a. Miracles that only God could do!
  - b. He claimed He had come down from Heaven to do God's Will, Jn. 6:38
  - c. He claimed to be the God of the O.T., Jn. 8:56-58
- B. The Lord Revealed How Peter Knew This Correct Answer, Mt. 16:17
  - 1. He told Peter he was blessed, v-17a
  - 2. He told Peter he didn't get this truth from people, v-17b
  - 3. God the Father had revealed it to Peter, v-17c
- C. The Lord Warned Them Not To Tell This To Anyone, Mk. 8:30; Lk. 9:21
- IV. HE REVEALED TO PETER THE IMPORTANT ROLE HE WOULD PLAY IN GOD'S FUTURE PROGRAM, Mt. 16:18, 19
  - A. He Told Peter He Was A Rock (a small stone) v-18a
  - B. Peter's Confession Of Him Would Be The Rock (foundation boulder) Upon Which He Would Build His Church, v-18b
  - C. The Gates Of Hades Would Not Be Able To Overpower It, v-18c
  - D. Peter Would Have Authority In God's Kingdom Of Heaven v-19