

**Continuing Sermon Series –
God Uses Ordinary People”**

**PETER'S
BOLD
CONFESSION**

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Matthew 16:13-20 (NIV)

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 Christ, the Son of the living God.”

17 Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of

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Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, 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 warned his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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“Who am I?”

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The ***correct answer*** to that question ***determines*** your ***eternal destiny!***

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Jesus said,

“For God ***so loved*** the world that He ***gave*** His only begotten ***son***, that whoever ***believes*** in Him should ***not perish*** but have ***everlasting*** life!”

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Jesus also said,

"Whoever does **not**
believe will be
condemned!"

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The ***correct answer*** to
this question will also
determine your personal
morality!

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Jesus said, "Heaven and
earth will ***pass away*** but
my word will ***never pass***
away!"

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The ***correct answer*** to
this question will also
determine our ***doctrinal***
stability.

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Ephesians 4:14, "Then we will no
longer be ***infants***, tossed back and
forth by the ***waves***, and ***blown***
here and there by every ***wind*** of
teaching, and by the ***cunning*** and
craftiness of men in their
deceitful scheming."

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**"Who do
men say that
I am?"**

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Who do people
say **Jesus is,**
today?

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"You are The
Christ; The **Son**
of The **Living**
God!"

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Jesus said, "If you've seen **Me**
you've seen **The Father**. Before
Abraham was, **I AM!** The **Son of**
Man is the **Lord of the Sabbath**.
Destroy this temple and in **three**
days I'll build it again!"

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"The Christians are
accustomed to **meet** on a
fixed day; to **sing hymns** to
Christ, as God."

Pliny The Younger, Governor Of Bithynia

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"Blessed are you, **Simeon,**
Son Of Jonah! **This** was not
revealed to you by man, but
by **My Father,** Who is in
Heaven!"

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How did **"I"** come to
believe that Jesus
Christ **"Is"** God's Son?

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John 6:44,
 "No one can **come to me** except The Father **draws him.**"

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John 15:16,
 "**You** did not choose **Me**, I chose **YOU!**"

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1 Corinthians 12:3, "No one can say that **Jesus is Lord** except by **The Holy Spirit!**"

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Matthew 16:18, "I tell you that you are **Peter**, and that **upon** this **rock** I will **build** my **church** and the **gates of hades** won't overcome it."

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2 different Greek words for rock: One is "**Petras**", translated "**Peter**", meaning a smaller rock. And, the other is "**Petra**", meaning a large ledge rock.

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1 Corinthians 3:11,
 "No one can lay **any foundation** other than **the one already laid**, which is **Christ Jesus!**"

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1 Peter 2:7,
 "Jesus is the
cornerstone; the
capstone of the church!"

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Acts 4:12,
 "Neither is there **salvation** in
 any other. There is **no other**
name under heaven, given
 among men, whereby we
must be saved."

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Jesus replied, "Get thee
behind Me, Satan! You're a
stumbling block to Me! You
 don't have in mind the **things**
 of **God**, but the **things** of
men!"

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Jesus said, "Anyone who
divorces his wife **except** for
marital unfaithfulness
 and marries another
commits adultery!"

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Jesus said,
 "I am the **way**, the
truth, and the **life!** No
 one **comes** to The
 Father but by **Me!**"

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Jesus said,
 "Don't lay up
treasures on **earth.**"

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Jesus said, "**Love** your **enemies**. Do **good** to those who **persecute** you!"

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Jesus said, "He that **believes** and is **baptized** shall be **saved**! Whoever does **not believe** will be **condemned**."

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"**Maturity** is the **ability** to **postpone pleasure**."

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Jesus "**is**" The Son Of God, and we need to be **bold** in **confessing** Him!

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- There "**Is**" a God who **created us!**
- There "**Is**" a God who came to **save us!**
- There "**Is**" a God who **died for us**, and **rose** from the **grave!**
- There "**Is**" a God who **gave us his word** and we have **hope!**

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Many don't want to hear it for "two reasons":

- 1.) It's a **threat** to their **lifestyle**.
- 2.) It's an **affront** to their **pride**.

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Acts 4:20 & 5:29, "We must **obey God** rather than man! We **can't help** but **speak**, about what we have **seen** and **heard!**"

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Romans 10:9, "If you **confess** with your **mouth** that Jesus is Lord, and **believe** in your **heart** that God has **raised** Him from the dead, you **will** be **saved!**"

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Philippians 2:10, "There **will** be a day when **every knee will bow**, and **every tongue confess** that Jesus **is** Lord!"

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