

Matthew 16 - Study Notes

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Matthew 16:1-4

What did the religious leaders want to do to Jesus in the passage? _____

What did they ask him for? _____

Matthew 12:38-40 - sign of Jonah

Last withdrawal before journey toward Jerusalem

Matthew 16:5-12

Jesus used this travel time to teach the disciples about this encounter.

Were they tracking with Jesus at first? _____

V 7 What conclusion did the disciples come up with after discussing? _____

"Yeast" was a common symbol for evil and could therefore be applied to different kinds of wickedness

What was Jesus' reaction to their answer? _____

V 11 Instead of explaining the meaning of his metaphor of the yeast, Jesus repeats it.

Why do you think he did this? _____

Matthew 16:13-16

Caesarea Philippi

- 25 miles north of the sea of galilee.

- Built by Herod Phillip: center of worship of Baal, then of the god Pan, and then Ceasar.

- known to be the source of the Jordan river, making it highly significant to the Jews

- this place was symbolically beneath the shadow of the ancient gods

V 13 What question does Jesus first ask the disciples? _____

"Son of Man" - theologically important title

- Occurs 81 times in the gospels and was Jesus preferred title for himself

V 14 Who did the disciples say people thought he was?

- John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah and/or another prophet

V 15 Jesus then most importantly asked them ____ **Who do YOU think I am?** ____

V 16 Who answered for the group and what was his response ? _____

All three gospels include this confession...

Matt 16:16Mark 8:29 Luke 9:20

Matthew 16:17-20

Jesus calls him Simon Bar-Jonah (Simon Peter was the son of a man named Jonah)

Jesus said Peter was blessed because _____

V 18 Peter's name is a play on words in two languages.

Greek = Petros, petra means "rock"

Aramaic = Cephas, also meaning rock.

V 19 I will build my church on what? _____

What shall not prevail or overcome it? _____

Matthew 16:21-23

V 21 What did Jesus begin to show the disciples? _____

V22 What did Peter's reaction reveal? _____

V23 Jesus says to Peter "Get behind me Satan" versus when Jesus says to devil in 4:10 "Begone Satan"

Matthew 16:24-28

V 24 - Jesus says there is 3 things which people must be prepared to live a christian life:

1. Deny themselves -
2. Take up a cross -
3. Follow Jesus Christ -

V 25 - Similar teaching back in Matt 10:38-39

V 26 - 2 great questions to ask on a daily basis

V 27 - _____ - inevitable judgement for all people

V 28 - _____ - some would see the Spirit descend on Pentecost, Gentiles and Jews combined, gospel spread beyond Israel.