

## *The Touch of the Master's Hand - A Man Called Peter*

### *“Who is Jesus?”*

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### ***Introduction:***

A. Jesus asked His disciples an important question: “Do you \_\_\_\_\_ I am?”

### ***I. The Story***

- A. To ensure the necessary privacy for this all-important discussion, Jesus took his disciples to Caesarea Philippi, about \_\_\_\_\_ miles north of the Sea of Galilee.
- B. The title “Son of Man” had a prophetic and \_\_\_\_\_ element to it.
- C. Jesus knew all things, so He \_\_\_\_\_ asking this question for His own \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. The disciples shared three of the crowd’s opinions about the identity of the Son of Man:
1. Some said he was \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Others thought he was \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Others thought he was \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. Many people in our world today have no better \_\_\_\_\_ of who Jesus is than people in Jesus time.
- F. The purpose of Jesus’ first question was to lead to His second - the first was \_\_\_\_\_ and the second was \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. Peter’s answer had two parts.
1. When Peter said, “You are the Christ” he meant “You are the \_\_\_\_\_.”
  2. Peter added, “You are the Son of the living God” meaning “you are \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_.”
- H. This revelation about who Jesus was came by \_\_\_\_\_.
- I. Jesus used Peter’s declaration as a launching pad to declare a number of important truths.
1. Jesus declared that He would \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Jesus declared that the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ would not prevail against it.
  3. Although Peter was a \_\_\_\_\_, he was not the \_\_\_\_\_ on which the church was built - \_\_\_\_\_ and the truth about \_\_\_\_\_ is the rock, the cornerstone on which the church is built. (1 Cor. 3:11; 1 Pet. 2:6)
  4. Peter and the other apostles were given the \_\_\_\_\_ to opening and extending the kingdom of God.
- J. Why did Jesus want them to keep this important truth a \_\_\_\_\_? Because it was not the right \_\_\_\_\_ for the world to know the \_\_\_\_\_.

### ***II. The Application***

- A. The most important conclusion that each one of us will ever make is the conclusion we come to about the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus – who do we say that He \_\_\_\_\_?
- B. C. S. Lewis and others have elaborated on the fact that Jesus is one of the following: a \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, or the \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. When we come to the right conclusion that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God, We must be sure to live in a way that is \_\_\_\_\_ of that claim.
- D. And we must be sure that we are keeping Jesus in focus so that we are reflecting and representing Jesus as He \_\_\_\_\_ not as we \_\_\_\_\_ Him to be.

Answer Key: Intro.A. know, who. I.A. 25. I.B. Messianic. I.C. wasn’t, benefit. I.D.1. John, Baptist. I.D.2. Elijah. I.D.3. Jeremiah. I.F. understanding. I.F. informational, personal. I.G.1. Messiah. I.G.2. God, flesh. I.H. divine, inspiration. I.I. build, church. I.2. gates, hell. I.3. rock, rock, Jesus, Jesus. I.4. Keys. J. secret, time, truth. II.A. identity, is. II.B. legend, liar, lunatic, Lord. II.C. worthy. II.D. really, is, want.