

Q & A WITH THE MASTER

Matthew 16:13-20 (Continued)

INTRODUCTION: Last week we saw Jesus asking His disciples what the public consensus was as to who they thought He was. Just as it is today the public's views as to who Jesus is was varied and sundry. Surprisingly none were suggesting that Jesus was the Messiah, though some had thought John the Baptist might be Israel's Messiah. This morning we will see Jesus calling upon His disciples to tell Him who they personally think He is. Their answer has eternal consequences. Knowing who Jesus is, is the most important knowledge a person can have. Jesus asks each one of us this morning the most important question you will ever be asked in your life – "Who do you say that I am?" What you determine about Jesus will determine where you will spend eternity. Missing the truth concerning Jesus will cost you the most precious and valuable possession you have. It will cost you your soul – Mark 8:37-38.

A. THE MASTER'S QUESTIONS - THEN - Matthew 16:13, 15.

1. THE PUBLIC OPINION QUESTION AND ANSWERS – Matt. 16:13-14

A. THE LORD'S QUESTION

"WHO DO MEN SAY THAT I, THE SON OF MAN, AM?"

B. THE DISCIPLES' ANSWERS

▶ JOHN THE BAPTIST – Matthew 14:1-2

▶ ELIJAH – Malachi 4:5-6

▶ JEREMIAH – 2 Maccabees 2:4-8 ...Historical but not a Canonical book of the OT Inspired Scriptures

▶ ONE OF THE PROPHETS

Apparently Jesus did not match up to the public's messianic expectations

C. THE _____ RESPONSE

2. THE _____ OPINION QUESTION AND ANSWER – Matt. 16:15-16

A. THE _____ QUESTION

"BUT WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?"

B. THE _____ ANSWER

"YOU ARE THE CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD"

C. THE _____ RESPONSE

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B. THE _____ QUESTIONS – SINCE THEN

1. CONCERNING THE _____

2. CONCERNING THE _____

3. CONCERNING THE _____

4. CONCERNING THE _____

ANY QUESTIONS?