

Foundations pt9 – A Revelation of Jesus

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[Heb 6:1-3 NASB95] 1 Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, 2 of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment. 3 And this we will do if God permits.

[Mat 16:13-18 NASB95] 13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, He was asking His disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" 14 And they said, "Some [say] John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; but still others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets." 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." 17 And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal [this] to you, but My Father who is in heaven. 18 "I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.

- Jesus was not a low moment. Jesus did not reassure. The questions were not for Him. The questions are for us.
- We transition in this series to the "teaching about the Christ." Over the next few services, we are going to focus on what has been called "the four cardinal truths about Jesus."

What does Peter's revelation of Jesus teach us today?

Here are four things we can learn about Peter's revelation of Jesus.

I. The question about the revelation of Jesus.

- a. V. 13-14 – the people.
- b. V. 16 – you.
- c. You cannot live on someone else's revelation of Jesus. It is the revelation you have that makes the difference.

II. The source of the revelation of Jesus.

- a. V. 17 – not flesh, but the Father.
- b. [Eph 1:17-18 NASB95] 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him. 18 [I pray that] the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,
- c. We cannot make ourselves or someone else see Jesus; it is a work of God.

III. The results of the revelation of Jesus.

- a. Blessed – v. 17. Note: the blessing was that Peter received revelation. However, the revelation will increase the blessings we experience.
- b. Changed identity – v. 17-18. A new name. You will change to the level of your revelation of Jesus.
- c. A strong church – v. 18. The church needs to be strong.
- d. Authority on the earth - v. 19. Your revelation of Jesus will result in power over every principality and power on the earth.

IV. How do we grow in the revelation of Jesus?

- a. We are not told how Peter got the revelation.
- b. [Jer 29:13 NASB95] 13 'You will seek Me and find [Me] when you search for Me with all your heart.
- c. You will seek in:
 - i. In His word.

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- ii. In prayer.
 - iii. With passion.
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- **Our foundation is Jesus, and God wants us to know Him more and experience all the results of a greater revelation.**