

I Will Build My Church

Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon Discussion Questions

October 22, 2023

1. What is your personal mission and vision? What is central to who you are?
2. What does it mean to confess that Jesus is the Messiah the Son of the Living God? How should this be evident in your life?
3. What does it mean to be a “self-sustaining” church? Have you seen the church as a place God has equipped to help you in times of need?
4. How are you coming alongside Jesus in building His church here at Calvary? How can you do a better job in the future now that we have talked about some of our mission, values and vision?
5. What are some implications of Jesus saying the church will be built on “Jesus is the Messiah the son of the living God” versus being built on Peter? How might the church be/look different if it was built on a person rather than on the Messiah?
6. Do you think of Calvary as “your” church? How can this be a problematic mindset? What things do you have to hold in tension to think of Calvary as “your” church while still knowing the Church is Jesus’?
7. Think back to the imagery of Jesus giving Peter “the keys” to the church and how you and I, if we have confessed Jesus as Lord, have these keys as well. How does this make you feel about your stewardship of God’s kingdom?