FAITH COMMUNITY

Why Church?

Matthew 16

January 28, 2018

1. A Warning from Jesus

12 "Then they understood that he was not telling them to guard against the yeast used in bread, but against the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

You have heard that it was said…But I tell you… (Matthew 5)

2. Jesus Test His Disciples

13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

14 They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

15 "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"

16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven.

3. Jesus is the Builder - He Partners with People of Faith

18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

4. Jesus Delegates Decision Making Authority

19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah."

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