

“Confessing Jesus as Lord of All” 10/01/17
Matthew 16:13-27

Series- “Essential Jesus: The Man, the Mission, the Message”

“This is a very fine cave in a mountain, under which there is a great cavity in the earth, and the cavern is abrupt, and prodigiously deep, and full of a still water; over it hangs a vast mountain; and under the caverns arise the springs of the river Jordan. Herod adorned this place, which was already a very remarkable one, still further by the erection of this temple, which he dedicated to Caesar.” (Antiquities of the Jews 15:364) -Josephus (1st century Jewish Historian)

LESSON 1- As followers of Jesus we must confess Him as Lord of HEAVEN

- A. The confession of those who are STRANGERS
(Great Teacher, Enlightened One, Model of Religion, Guide to Humanity)
- B. The confession of those who are CHOSEN
(**John 6:35-47**; Luke 9:45; 24:31; Luke 10:21; Acts 16:14; 1 Cor 2:14)
- C. The confession of the one who is Lord of the CHURCH
(Ps 42:9; Isaiah 44:8; John 2:4; 6:15; 7:30; 8:20; 13:1; 17:1)

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“Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.”
2 Corinthians 6:2

LESSON 2- As followers of Jesus we must confess Him as Lord of OUR LIFE

- A. The confession of Peter that offends JESUS
(Proverbs 16:18; Matt 6:33; 7:21-23; John 13:13- Lord/Master/Boss; Tit 1:16)
- B. The confession of Jesus that offends US
(Pluralism- John 14:6; Acts 4:12; Matthew 10:34; John 6:66; Luke 9:23-26)

“For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words, of him the Son of Man will be ashamed when He comes in His own glory, and in His Father's, and of the holy angels.” Luke 9:26

Going *God wants you to lose your life for Him; by doing this you will gain*
Deeper *that much more in return for your investment!*

“But Simon Peter answered Him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Also we have come to believe and know that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” John 6:68-69