

Getting a Grip On Jesus (Part 3) Get a Grip #3

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Matt. 16:15-17 (NASB)

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.

How Does GOD Reveal JESUS To Us?

1. Through the Word

Matthew 11:2-6 (NASB)

Now when John, while imprisoned, heard of the works of Christ, he sent word by his disciples ³ and said to Him, "Are You the Expected One, or shall we look for someone else?" ⁴ Jesus answered and said to them, "Go and report to John what you hear and see: ⁵ the BLIND RECEIVE SIGHT and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the POOR HAVE THE ¹GOSPEL PREACHED TO THEM.
⁶ "And <u>blessed</u> is he who does not take offense at Me."

Q: How was this an answer to John's question?

• <u>Isaiah 35:5-6</u> and <u>61:1</u> said the Messiah would do these things.

2. Through the Spirit

Luke 11:9-13 (NASB)

"So I say to you, **ask**, and it will be given to you; **seek**, and you will find; **knock**, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰ "For everyone who asks, receives; and he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks, it will be opened. ¹¹ "Now suppose one of you fathers is asked by his son for a fish; he will not give him a snake instead of a fish, will he? ¹² "Or if he is asked for an egg, he will not give him a scorpion, will he? ¹³ "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give **the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him**?"

Q: What is it we are supposed to ask, seek, and knock for?

- Things the Spirit provides.
- 50 Things The Holy Spirit does: http://frankviola.org/2010/11/18/50-things-the-holy-spirit-does/

The Spirit of God guides us into all truth, and glorifies Jesus to us and through us. (John 15:26).

The Spirit works through the Word. (John 6:63)

Q: What are you Asking, Seeking, and Knocking for?

- 1. What do you ask God for?
- 2. What are you looking for, and where? _____
- 3. What doors do you want to open for you? _____

There Are Two Groups Of People In Every Church:

- A. Those who are asking, seeking, and knocking for what *THEY* want God to give them
- **B.** Those who are asking, seeking, and knocking for what *GOD* wants to give them

The difference between them is...

what they have their mind set on.

Romans 8:5-8 (NASB)

For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, ⁷ because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so, ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

Follow-Up Challenge:

Spend time in prayer this week...

- Asking God to reveal Jesus, and guide you to truth.
- Seeking Jesus in the Word.
- Knocking on the doors God wants to open for you.