### One Church

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#### Matthew 16:13-18

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 Christ, the Son of the living God." 17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven. 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.

Scripture tells us that...

### 1. THERE IS ONLY ONE CHURCH

Matt 16:18

... on this rock I will build my church,

Scripture tells us that...

# 2. THE CHURCH IS FOUNDED ON JESUS THE CHRIST

Matt 16:16

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

#### Matt 1:23

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him <u>Immanuel</u>"—which means, "<u>God with us</u>."

Scripture tells us that...

## 3. JESUS WANTS TO KNOW WHO WE PROCLAIM HIM TO BE

Matt 16:15

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

#### Matt 16:16

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

#### Matt 16:17

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

#### Matt 7:7-8

7 [Jesus said] "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened."

Scripture tells us that...

## 4. HELL ITSELF WILL NOT <u>PREVAIL</u> OVER THE CHURCH

#### Matt 16:18

...the gates of Hades will not overcome it.