



Series: Unexpected Messiah

Passage Mathew 16:15-27

Title: The Glory of Jesus

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Discussion Starter – What was your biggest takeaway from this sermon as it relates to the title of the message “The Glory of Jesus”?

Who Do You Say I Am (Matthew 16:15-20)

- What two statements does Peter declare in response to who Jesus is? Describe what each one of these statements mean?
- What specific power and authority was Jesus giving to Peter? How is this connected to the rock that Jesus will build His church on? How does this power relate to us?

A Shift in Jesus’ Ministry (Matthew 16:21-23)

- What is the big shift you see in Jesus’ ministry? Read Matthew 12:40 and John 3:2. Why do you think Jesus is being so direct and blunt now in comparison to how He has alluded to the same prophecy pointed to in these scriptures?
- What is the significance of each of the four things Jesus that said would happen to Him?
- Why do you think Peter rebukes Jesus? What was going on at this time in his life? What made him feel comfortable enough to rebuke Jesus? What lessons can we learn here from Peter’s life example?
- Simon Peter had just recently answered Jesus’s question about who Jesus was with spirit led discernment. Jesus praised him, but now Jesus responds to Peter by telling him that he is an offense to Him. Why did Jesus say get behind me Satan? Explain what is going on here.
- What pattern do we see presented here that is applicable for all who desire to serve Jesus? Read Luke 4:12-13 and Luke 22:31. What additional insights do we gain from these verses and what does this teach us about our sin nature?

Following Jesus (Matthew 16:24-27)

- Read Matthew 6:24. What is He teaching here? What does it mean to take up our cross? What does that look like in our everyday lives?
- Describe in your own words what Jesus is teaching in Matthew 16:25-26? Read Proverbs 3:13-15 and Psalm 119:72. What specific wisdom is mentioned here and how does this relate to the verses we just read in Matthew?
- What are the rewards Jesus is talking about in Matthew 16:27 and how is this connected to our salvation? Read 1 Corinthians 15:32-49 and Daniel 12:2-3. What additional insights do these verse give us about our works and rewards?