



# On This Rock I Will Build My Church

*Matthew 16:13-19*

*O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Psa 95:1*

## **I. Becoming a Part of God's Family :13-17**

*How does a person become part of God's family?*

### **1. Who do men say that I am? :13**

### **2. But who do you say that I am? :15**

#### **a. Peter's answer :16**

*"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."  
You are the Messiah-the Son of the living God.*

#### **b. How did Peter know this? :17**

It is the power of God working in our heart that reveals to us who He is! Read the gospel of John and ask God to reveal to you who He is.

## **II. Growing God's Family: Building on a Rock :18-19**

### **1. Who or what is the rock? :18**

- Christ
- Peter
- Peter's Confession

#### **What did Peter have to say? I Peter 2:4-10**

*Living stones...Chief cornerstone...*

*God is the rock of my salvation (Psa 95:1) but the Church is built on the 'confession' that Jesus is the Messiah and He will build His Church on that confession.*

### **2. The power of the Rock :18**

*Death and hell can NOT keep us from the love of God.*

### **3. The Keys to the Kingdom :19**

*Authority: The gatekeeper had the power to lock out or let in.*

#### **a. How are the Keys used?**

The Church is the REALM

The Kingdom is the REIGN

**The focus:** Is on Jesus as the KING and His reign but His kingdom power is worked out in the 'realm' of the Church, the Body Of Messiah!

**By extension:** Through prayer, fasting and 'being in one accord' we as the Body of Messiah can benefit from the 'reigning' power of the King (Jesus). *Acts 2:4; 14*

# The Power Driven Church Rock of Salvation

Building on the Rock ...  
Resting on the Rock...

## I Will Give You Rest

### **How to Rest in God....**

*Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.*

*Matthew 11:25-30*

### **1. Go to the source :28**

*And He said, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest. Exo 33:14*

*And it shall come to pass in the day that the LORD shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage... Isa 14:3*



### **2. Identify the Burden :28**

*Matt 23:4*

Laboring under the strength of our own efforts.

### **3. Receive the Rest :28**

*Cast your burden on the Lord,*

*And He shall sustain you;*

*He shall never permit the righteous to be moved.*

*Psalms 55:22*

This is a rest that ONLY GOD can give to you.

*Heb 3:6; 10-11; 4:11-12*

### **4. Walk in His Rest :29**

#### **Being YOKED with God.**

- Dependence
- Submission
- Personalization
- Purpose
- Power



For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus. *NASB Phil 1:6*

And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. *NKJV: Phil 4:19*