THE JESUS-CENTERED LIFE "WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?" Matthew 16:13-17

"Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" Matt. 16:13-14

- The **people** in Jesus' day. Matt. 16:13-14
 - o Liar. John 10:24-26, 30-33, 38-39; 5:17-18; 19:7; Mark 3:20-22; 2:7
 - o Lunatic. Mark 3:20-21; Matt. 12:46-50; John 7:5; 19:7
- The people of <u>our</u> day.
 - o Atheism—"There is no <u>God</u>."
 - o Scientism—"Science has <u>disproved</u> God."
 - o Pluralism—"All paths are equally valid."
 - Humanism—"We don't <u>need</u> God."
 - o Relativism—"True for <u>you</u> but not for me."
 - Hedonism—"Whatever makes you <u>happy</u>."

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- Peter's answer to the question (the Christ). Matt. 16:15-16
 - o **<u>Prophet</u>**. Mark 6:4; Matt. 21:11; Luke 7:16; John 4:19
 - o **<u>Priest</u>**. Heb. 2:17; 4:15; 9:11-14; 1 Tim 2:5
 - o King. John 18:36-37; Rev. 19:16
- Peter came to the conclusion by the <u>Spirit</u> of God. Matt. 16:17; 1 John 4:1-3; 1 Cor. 2:11-14
- All of us must come to <u>answer</u> the question (Lord). Rom 10:9-10; 1 John 2:18-23; 4:1-3