



What IS the Church?

BECOMING THE KIND OF CHURCH GOD WANTS PART 1



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1. The Church Belongs to Jesus



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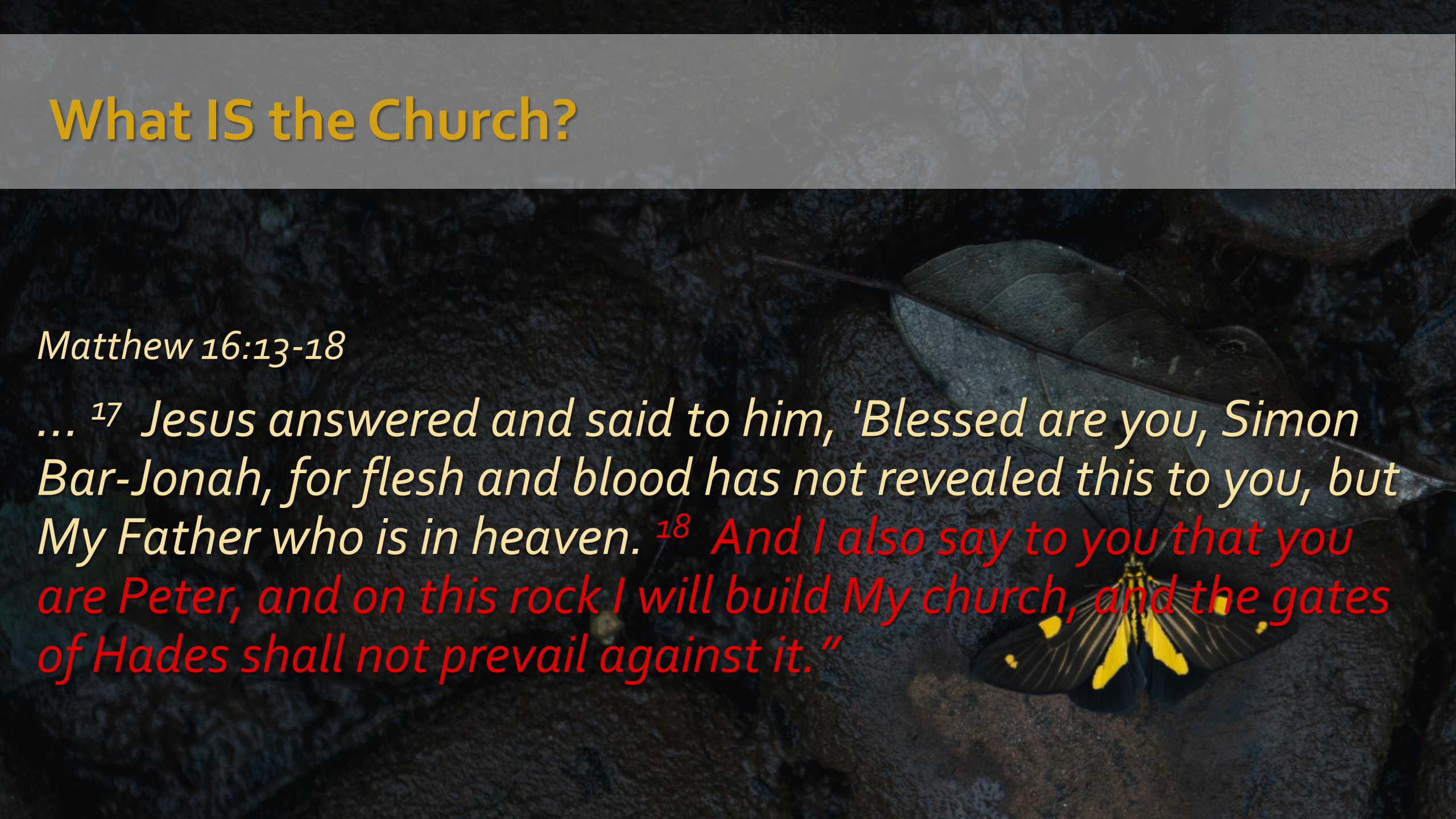
Matthew 16:13-18

"When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, 'Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?'¹⁴ So they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.'¹⁵ He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?'¹⁶ Simon Peter answered and said, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.'"...

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... ¹⁷ Jesus answered and said to him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.'

The background of the slide is a dark, textured surface, possibly a rock or a piece of wood. A large, dark, almost black leaf is positioned diagonally across the right side of the image. In the lower right corner, there is a small, glowing yellow and black insect, possibly a moth or a firefly, which is illuminated from within, creating a bright contrast against the dark background.

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1. The Church Belongs to Jesus
2. The Church is the Ekklesia



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Romans 1:16

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek"




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3. The Church is IBC



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- Ch 1-3: The fighting and divisions in the church
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 - Ch 6: Lawsuits against each other
 - Ch 7: Correcting them on the sanctity of marriage
 - Ch 8-9: Food offered to idols and putting others first
 - Ch 10: Avoid idolatry
 - Ch 11: Actually properly in church and the Lord's Supper abuses
 - Ch 12-13 : Spiritual gift abuse
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- A photograph of a yellow and black moth resting on a dark, textured leaf. The moth has a black body with yellow markings and wings with a black and yellow pattern. The background is dark and textured, possibly a rock or bark.

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1 Corinthians 1:2, 4-6

"To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints... I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus,⁵ that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge,⁶ even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you."

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3. The Church is IBC
4. The Church is the Body of Christ



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Ephesians 5:22-23

"And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all"



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Ephesians 5:29-30

"For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones"

