

**THE KING'S UNIVERSITY**  
**COURSE 10: CHURCH GROWTH STRATEGIES (Cont.) – Matthew 16:18**  
**October 26, 2025**

**THE SITUATION:**

<sup>13</sup> "When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi..." Matthew 16:13 (BSB)

<sup>15</sup> "...Jesus asked. 'Who do you say I am?' <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.'" Matthew 16:15-16 (BSB)

**LESSONS ON WHAT KIND OF CHURCH JESUS BUILDS:**

<sup>18</sup> "And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church..." Matthew 16:18 (BSB)

**WHAT IS THE ROCK?**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
  - PETER HAS A \_\_\_\_\_ IN THE FOUNDING OF THE CHURCH.

- PETER WAS THE \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_ THE FULL GOSPEL TO A \_\_\_\_\_ AUDIENCE...

<sup>14</sup> "Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, lifted up his voice, and addressed the crowd: 'Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen carefully to my words.'" Acts 2:14 (BSB)

- AND TO A \_\_\_\_\_ AUDIENCE...

<sup>34</sup> "Then Peter began to speak: 'I now truly understand that God does not show favoritism, <sup>35</sup>but welcomes those from every nation who fear Him and do what is right. <sup>36</sup>He has sent this message to the people of Israel, proclaiming the gospel of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.'" Acts 10:34-46 (BSB)

- PETER'S ROLE IS BEST UNDERSTOOD AS "\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_"

<sup>19</sup> "...God's household, <sup>20</sup>built on the foundation of the apostles..." Ephesians 2:19-20 (BSB)

<sup>1</sup> "As a fellow elder... I appeal to the elders among you..." 1 Peter 5:1 (BSB)

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>11</sup> "For no one can lay a foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ." 1 Corinthians 3:11 (BSB)

<sup>6</sup> "For it stands in Scripture: 'See, I lay in Zion a stone, a chosen and precious cornerstone; and the one who believes in Him will never be put to shame.'" 1 Peter 2:6 (BSB)

- LESSON #1: THE CHURCH JESUS BUILDS HAS A \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- LESSON #2: THE CHURCH JESUS BUILDS IS FOUNDED ON \_\_\_\_\_  
LIFE AND WORK, THE TEACHINGS OF THE \_\_\_\_\_,  
SUMMARIZED IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF PETER, AND  
COMPILED FOR US IN \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>19</sup> "Therefore you are...fellow citizens with the saints and members of God's household, <sup>20</sup>built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. <sup>21</sup>In Him the whole building is fitted together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup>And in Him you too are being built together into a dwelling place for God in His Spirit."  
Ephesians 2:19-22 (BSB)

<sup>4</sup> "As you come to Him, the living stone, rejected by men but chosen and precious in God's sight, <sup>5</sup>you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."  
1 Peter 2:4-5 (BSB)

#### BOTTOM LINE:

YOU CAN'T \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_ WITHOUT BEING \_\_\_\_\_  
ONTO THE \_\_\_\_\_ ALREADY LAID.

#### NEXT STEPS

- **GNG MEET AND GREET**
  - Today in the Conference Room after both services.
- **GNG FALL CLEAN**
  - Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> from 9am-1pm. Come serve with us!
- **MISSION TRIP 2026 INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS**
  - November 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Conference Room after both services.
- **CONNECT CARD**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> time guests fill out and return to the GET Connected Hub for a free gift!