

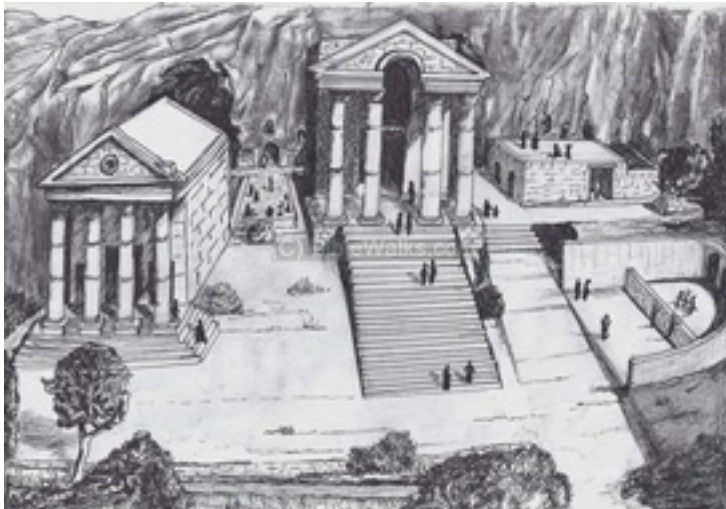
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## SIMON

Matthew 16:13 *When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"*

Why does it matter that Jesus took them to Caesarea Philippi?



Matthew 16:17-18 *Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are **Peter**, and on this **rock** I will build my **church**, and the **gates of Hades** will not overcome it."*

Jesus declared Simon as Peter when  
Peter declared Jesus as God when  
the world declared their idols as god!

Matthew 16:23 *Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."*

Pivotal Moment: Jesus declared Peter as Satan when  
Peter declared Jesus as mistaken.

Matthew 16:24-25 *Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it."*

Declaring Christ means that you are willing to risk losing your reputation, security, and even life because you love Him more than these!

## PETER

Declare Jesus' person as the Christ.

Declare Jesus' program as the cross.

Declare your purpose as your cross.