



A Church without Walls
Matthew 16:13-20

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“Here is the church and here is the steeple. Open the doors and see all the people.” There’s only one problem. The people are the church.

In fact, the early church was a church without walls. Unlike today, they had no buildings or budgets. They were a church without walls racially, socially, and missionally (Gal. 3:28).

In our text, Jesus promised that He would build His church and that the gates of hell would not prevail against it.

Main Thought...

→ The gates of hell will never prevail against the _____.

1. It is an unstoppable _____ (v. 13-18a).

- It’s a movement of people who have _____ belief in Jesus (v. 13-16).
- It’s a movement of people who are being _____ by Jesus (v. 17-18a).
- It’s a movement of people who are _____ to the mission of Jesus (v. 18b).

Rm. 10:9; Mt. 4:19, 1 Pt. 2:4-6, 9

2. It has an invincible _____ (v. 18c).

Mt. 28:19-20; Acts 6:7a; 17:6b

3. It has an immutable _____ (v. 19-20).

Acts 4:11-12, 19-20; Rm. 1:16; Jn. 3:16

Final Thoughts...

- Would you like to confess your _____ in Jesus?
- Are you _____ changed by Jesus?
- Are you _____ to the mission of Jesus?