

I Will **Build**
My Church

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When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?”

And they said, “Some say John the Baptist; others, Elijah; still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

“But you,” He asked them, “who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God!”

And Jesus responded, “Simon son of Jonah, you are blessed because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father in heaven. And I also say to you that you are Peter, and **on this rock I will build My church, and the forces of Hades will not overpower it.** I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth is already bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth is already loosed in heaven.”

And He gave the disciples orders to tell no one that He was the Messiah.

Are you a
ready foundation
to build on?

Matthew 7:24-27

“Therefore, everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them will be like a sensible man who built his house on the rock. The rain fell, the rivers rose, and the winds blew and pounded that house. Yet it didn’t collapse, because its foundation was on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of Mine and doesn’t act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. The rain fell, the rivers rose, the winds blew and pounded that house, and it collapsed. And its collapse was great!”

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Matthew 28:18-20

Jesus came and told his disciples, “**I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth.** Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

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Job 28:1-7

Then the Lord answered Job from the whirlwind. He said: Who is this who obscures My counsel with ignorant words? Get ready to answer Me like a man; when I question you, you will inform Me.

Where were you when I established the earth?

Tell Me, if you have understanding.

Who fixed its dimensions? Certainly you know!

Who stretched a measuring line across it?

What supports its foundations?

Or who laid its cornerstone

while the morning stars sang together
and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

How did He build the church in Philippi?

Lydia: Acts 16:14-15a

A Slave girl: Acts 16:18

A Jail Guard: Acts 16:33

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Hebrews 13:7-9

Remember your leaders who have spoken God's word to you. As you carefully observe the outcome of their lives, imitate their faith. **Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.** Don't be led astray by various kinds of strange teachings; for it is good for the heart to be established by grace and not by foods, since those involved in them have not benefited.

Matthew 16:19 [MSG Translation]

This is the rock on which I will put together my church, a church so expansive with energy that not even the gates of hell will be able to keep it out.