

# THIS IS US

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PART 1: LIFE ON THE ROCK

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Matthew 16:13-19 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup> They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup> "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> And I tell you that you are Peter, on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. <sup>19</sup> I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

1. The only life \_\_\_\_\_ foundation to build upon is Jesus Christ. Everything else will fail and disappoint.

1 Corinthians 3:10-11 By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should build with care. <sup>11</sup> For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

Matthew 7:24-27 Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. <sup>26</sup> But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. <sup>27</sup> The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Word is the key to success or failure.

James 1:22-25 NLT But don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves. <sup>23</sup> For if you listen to the word and don't obey, it is like glancing at your face in a mirror. <sup>24</sup> You see yourself, walk away, and forget what you look like. <sup>25</sup> But if you look carefully into the perfect law that sets you free, and if you do what it says and don't forget what you heard, then God will bless you for doing it.

❖ Life on the Rock Disciple: To daily live, love, \_\_\_\_\_, and serve like Jesus.

3. To build higher, we must dig \_\_\_\_\_.

Ephesians 3:17b And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love.

Colossians 2:6-7 So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

❖ The deeper we build our life in Christ, the more secure and steady our daily walk becomes.

❖ If we invested our Facebook time into putting our "Face in The Book" time, it could be revolutionary.

Psalms 1:1-3 NLT Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. <sup>2</sup> But they delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. <sup>3</sup> They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.

## REACHING OUR CITY ONE LIFE AT A TIME IN 2018:

1. PURSUE ONE unbeliever and become the best friend they've ever had.
2. REACH ONE person every DAY with a random act of kindness.
3. MINISTER TO ONE person every WEEK you attend church.
4. BRING ONE new person to church every MONTH.
5. LEAD ONE person to Jesus every YEAR and disciple them.