



February 11, 2024  
WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?  
Matthew 16:13-20

**Outline:**

1. Introduction
2. Alone / rest with Jesus
3. Who do the crowds say Jesus is?
4. Who do I say Jesus is?
5. Seeking truth in God's word
6. Binding and loosing / forbidding and permitting

Lining up our wills with God's

*A disciple of Jesus is someone who is following Jesus, is being changed by Jesus, and is committed to the mission of Jesus. (Matthew 4:19)*

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## Reflection Questions for Groups or Individuals:

1. *How do I get refilled or spend time alone to simply 'be' with Jesus?*
  - a. *How often do I spend time just being with him and what prompts it?*
  - b. *What do I let prevent me from this time of 'being' with him rather than 'asking' him for something or 'doing' something for him?*
2. *Who do others say Jesus is? This could be your family, neighbors, culture...*
3. *Who do you say Jesus is?*
  - a. *What do you base your belief of 'who he is' on?*
4. *What areas do you need help lining up your will with God's?*
  - a. *Do you talk with God about needing his help lining up your will with his? Surrendering our will and desires is hard but it's possible.*
  - b. *Where you find yourself unable to line up your will with God's? Do you know what the obstacle is?*
  - c. *How can friends, journey group, family, etc. help you overcome this obstacle?*

## Discovery Bible Study Method for Groups or Individuals

(for more information on this method of Bible study- see <https://www.dbsguide.org>)

1. **Talk:** *To begin the study, each person answers these questions:*
  - *What are you thankful for?*
  - *What is causing you stress?*
  - *Who needs our help? How can this group help them?*
2. **Look Back** (session 2+)
  - *Retell story from the previous meeting.*
  - *What did you do differently because of this story?*
  - *Who did you tell and what was the reaction?*
3. **Read & Re-tell**
  - *One person reads the Bible passage out loud, and the rest follow along.*
  - *Someone else retells the passage by memory, if possible. Others can fill in what is missing.*
4. **Look**
  - *Read the passage again.*
  - *Discuss what this passage says about God, Jesus or his plan.*
5. **Look again**
  - *Read the passage once more*
  - *Discuss what this passage says about humans*
  - *Discuss what this passage says about being a disciple of Jesus*
6. **Inside me**
  - *According to this study, what am I doing well?*
  - *What do I need to change?*
7. **Who else?**
  - *Who needs to hear this story?*
  - *How can I tell them?*
  - *Who can I invite to study the Bible?*

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