

IF THE FOUNDATIONS BE DESTROYED—1

“Just Who Are We Anyway?”

Matthew 16:13-18

Introduction. _____

I. FIRST, NOTICE HOW WE ARE ENERGIZED BY AN UNRIVALED MANDATE (Matthew 16:13-18).

A. First, consider Jesus asking a special question (16:13).

B. Secondly, notice the disciples giving several answers (16:14).

1. First, what did men say in the past?

2. Secondly, what do men say in the present?

3. Thirdly, what do the Scriptures say He is (Matthew 3:17; 17:5).

a. *Who does the Spirit say He is (Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38)?*

b. *Who does the saints say He is (Matthew 16:17)?*

4. Fourthly, who does the Savior say He is? (In the Gospel of John).

5. Fifthly, who does other souls say He is?

a. *First, let's hear testimonies from other hearts.*

b. *Secondly, let's hear testimonies from our own souls.*

II. SECONDLY, WE ARE THE CARRIERS OF AN _____ MESSAGE.

What makes our message so great and unchanging?

A. First, because of its _____

B. Secondly, because of its _____.

C. Thirdly, because of its _____.

D. Fourth, because of its _____.

E. Fifthly, because it has been approved by some of the highest _____.

What makes our message so important today?

We are surrounded by three types of Christianity:

1. _____ Christians.

2. _____ Christians

3. _____ Christians