



Living Out God's Vision!

CtK exists to connect all people to the life-giving message of Jesus, as we experience God, find freedom, discover purpose, and make a difference in our world.

Day 14, Saturday, August 19th —Make a Difference Locally

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

Matthew 16:13-16

In this passage we find Jesus asking his disciples who He is. He is asking them because He wants to know their thoughts. He starts with asking what others are saying, but really He wants to hear that they really believe that He is the prophesied Messiah. Jesus is the Son of God who gave His life on the cross so that our sins are forgiven. But if we do not believe in Him, we forfeit that freedom from our sins, and we give up the eternal life that we could have with Him in Heaven.

Not only has Jesus come to take away our sins, but He has also come to give us life to enjoy while we are here on earth. Jesus wants to walk with us in our daily lives so that we may experience joy, peace, hope, and love on a daily basis. He wants to have a personal relationship with each and every one of us. We need to believe what the scriptures say about Jesus.

2 Corinthians 5:17. I am a new creature in Christ

Ephesians 2:5. I am alive in Christ

Romans 6:11. I am a spirit being alive to God

Isaiah 54:14. I am far from oppression, and fear does not come near me

1 John 5:18. I am born of God, and the evil one does not touch me

Ephesians 1:4. I am holy and without blame before him in love

Philippians 4:13. I can do all things through Christ Jesus

Romans 8:17. I am a joint heir with Christ

Mathew 5:14. I am the light of the world

These are just a few examples of who we are in Christ. We need to truly believe that we are who Christ has made us to be. We need to believe that Christ is not only the Son of God, but He is Lord and Savior of our lives and that He is all that the scriptures say He is.

Lord I pray that you help me open my heart and mind to learn more about you. I pray that you give me a hunger and thirst for more of you and a desire to spend more time in scripture to learn more about you. Please help me live with you as the leader of my life and help me to live with peace and joy. Speak through me so when I talk to others so I may be a light to them. Live in me and guide my thoughts. I thank you for living in me and being a part of my life. I would be nothing without you. In your name I pray. Amen.

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