

# Million Dollar Questions - Jesus asked them. How will you answer them? The Best Question Ever - Week 1

This resource can be used to guide your personal anchoring time throughout the week, a small group discussion, or even a one-on-one conversation.

## READ

# Begin by reading Matthew 16:13-18.

- As you read, underline or highlight the questions you see Jesus asks.
- How would you describe yourself to someone you just met? What are two to three things that might be important or fun to share?
- What questions do you have after reading these verses?

#### REFLECT

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus asks profound questions that challenge and strengthen the faith and understanding of His disciples. These questions are powerful and life-changing for us today and are critical for you to answer. The best question Jesus ever asked is simply, "Who do you say I am?"

- Reread Matthew 16:13-18. Why do you think some people thought that other people (such as John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets) was the "Son of man"?
- What about Jesus' claim to be the Messiah, the Son of the living God, is astonishing and important to His identity?
- Read 1 Peter 2:21–25. How does Jesus' sacrifice on the cross contribute to our understanding of who He is and what He came to do?
- Jesus' astonishing resurrection brings freedom. What freedom have your experienced in your life because of the resurrection of Christ?
- How does the answer to this question, "Who do you say I am?" result in salvation or separation?
- Who do you say Jesus is? How would you describe Jesus to someone that doesn't believe?

### **PRAY**

Begin your time of prayer by reading 2 Corinthians 5:21. Read it slowly. Now, use this verse to guide your prayer. To get you started...

**FOCUS** on Jesus' love displayed through His sacrifice for you on the cross.

**THANK** Jesus for bringing you peace with God and the forgiveness of your sins.

**CONFESS** where you have sinned and strayed from the wisdom of God.

**ASK** the Holy Spirit to renew you and remind you of the freedom you have in Jesus.

\*Keep going this week by reading these scriptures:

2 Corinthians 5:18-19 1 Timothy 2:5 Ephesians 2:13 Psalm 67:1-7

