

Key Scripture:

Philippians 3:8 NLT

Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord...

The question we all must answer...

Matthew 16:13-15 NKJV

13 When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi,
He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"
14 So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Who do you say Jesus is?

✓ The Angels and Demons

Luke 1:25 NLT

He will be very great and will be called *the Son of the Most High*.

Luke 4:41 NKJV

And demons also came out of many, crying out and saying,

"You are the Christ, the Son of God!"

And He, rebuking them, did not allow them to speak, for they knew that He was the Christ.

√ The Apostles

John 20:28 NKJV

And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!"

Colossians 1:28 NKJV

Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.

✓ The New Believer

Acts 8:37 NASB

37 [And Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may."

And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."]

√ The Father

Luke 9:35 NIV

A voice came from the cloud, saying, "*This is My Son*, whom I have chosen; listen to Him."

Notes:

Knowing JESUS

Who do you say?

Knowing Jesus

1. The Father wants us to know Jesus.

Matthew 16:16-19 NKJV

16 Simon Peter answered and said, <u>"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."</u>
 17 Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

John 1:14 PHILLIPS

It is true that no one has ever seen God at any time. Yet the divine and only Son, who lives in the closest intimacy with the Father, *has made Him known*.

Colossians 1:15-17 NLT

15 Christ is the visible image of the invisible God.

He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation,

16 for through Him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth.

He made the things we can see and the things we can't see—

such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world.

Everything was created through Him and for Him.

17 He existed before anything else, and He holds all creation together.

2. The Church is built on knowing Jesus.

Matthew 16:18a NKIV

And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church...

3. <u>Hell</u> is defeated by knowing Jesus.

Matthew 16:18b NKJV

and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

4. Authority is given to those knowing Jesus.

Matthew 16:19 NKJV

And *I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven*, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven,

and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

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