



I Will Build My Church

[Matthew 16:13-19](#), p. 341

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Introduction

The Context of Caesarea Philippi - Matthew 16:13-14

Peter's Confession - Matthew 16:15-17

Observation 1: The purpose of Jesus to build the church.
Matthew 16:18b

Observation 2: The position of Peter and power of the keys.
Matthew 16:18-19

Application

Those who have never placed their faith in Christ.

Those who are discouraged in their faith because of a perceived lack of fruitfulness.

Those who are proud, yet to recognize that they are powerless to build the church apart from Christ.

NEXT STEPS

- I will...
- I will share with: _____
- Join an *Immerse* group. Sign up at oakwoodnow.org.

DISCOVERY QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY OR GROUP DISCUSSION

Check-In: Since we last met, how did your "I will..." and sharing go?

1. What are you thankful for? What challenge or stress are you facing? Do you know anyone who needs help at this time? As a group, how can we help?
2. Read [Matthew 28:16-20](#) together (at least twice), and take turns retelling it in your own words as if sharing with a friend who isn't here.
3. What stands out to you and why? What do these verses tell us about God? What do these verses tell us about humanity/about us?
4. If this is God speaking, how will you apply it to your life?
(Share a specific: "I will...")
5. Who will you share with before we meet again?
*(Name a specific person you plan to **share with**.)*

If you'd like to learn more about the discovery group process, connect with marcus@oakwoodnow.org