

Argyle Study Guide, Easter part 1, 03-15-2026

Read Matthew 16:13-20

1. What are some important questions that we will answer in our life?

2. From our study, how would you describe Caesarea Philippi?

3. They probably went to this region to get out of the heat of the area in Galilee, where Jesus did most of his ministry. They also needed a break from the constant attacks of the religious leaders and the pressing crowds that were following Jesus. Has there been a time when you needed to get away?

4. Maybe that's one reason so many people struggled with Jesus. They were looking for a Messiah who was a fierce soldier, not a humble shepherd. Jesus didn't match their expectations. What do you expect Jesus to do in your life?

5. He wanted to get them away from the religious Jews and into the middle of pagan idol worship. This was the perfect place to ask His followers what they really believed. Read verses 13 and 14.

6. Jesus was using the backdrop of the rocky face of the mountain, and the pile of stones as an object lesson while naming Simon Peter "the rock." "You are Peter (petras...little rock), and on this rock (petra...pile of stones) I will build my church."

7. "Who do YOU say that Jesus is?"