## Bible Stories for Young Children

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## 'WHO AM I?'

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**MATTHEW 16:13-28** 

Mark 8:27 - 9:1; Luke 9:18-27

'WHO AM I?'

(Peter's confession)

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Jesus wanted His disciples to know who He was.

He asked them, 'Who do people say that I am?'

The disciples said, 'Some say You are John the Baptist.
Some say You are Elijah.
Others say You are Jeremiah or one of the prophets.



'Who do you say that I am?' asked Jesus.

Peter answered Him saying, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.'

'No man taught you this, Peter,' said Jesus, 'My Father has blessed you. He has shown you who I am and because of this I will build My church on you.



'My church will never be destroyed by evil. You will be like a gatekeeper, letting people into My kingdom.'

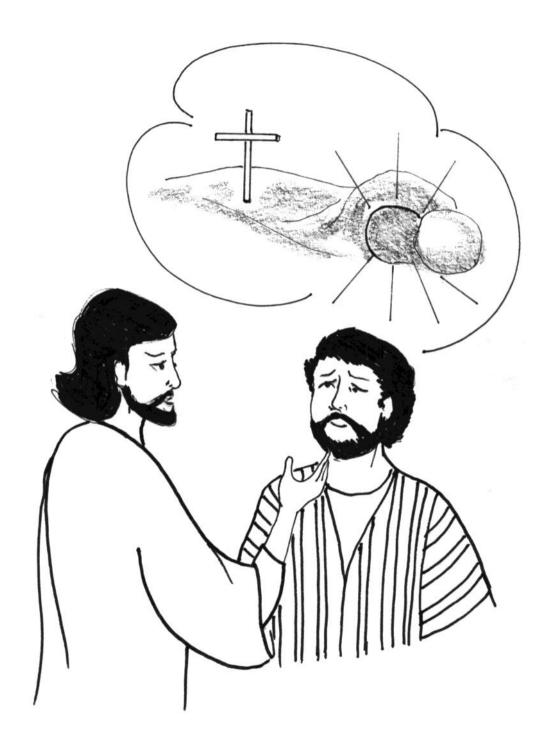
Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'Don't tell anyone that I am the Christ.



'Soon I must go to Jerusalem where people don't like Me. The leaders are going to kill Me. Three days later I will be raised from death.'

Peter said, 'This mustn't happen. God must stop it.'

Jesus looked at Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan!
You are not thinking the way God thinks.
You are thinking the way men think.'



Then Jesus said, 'It will not be easy, for anyone to live God's way but keep following Me.

'If you live for yourself, you will lose your life. God is the only One who gives life.

'If you have everything you want and lose your soul, you really don't have anything at all. No one can buy their life.



