

## **“Grasps the True Identity of Jesus”**

*Matthew 16:13-17*

### **Are We the Church Jesus Is Building?**

- Among all churches, there are **true** churches and **false** churches.
- Among true churches, there are **healthy** congregations and **unhealthy** congregations.

### **Stipulations for Grasping the True Identity of Jesus. . .**

- Grasping the true identity of Jesus requires spiritual **clarity**.
  - We must be clear about the **person** of Jesus.
    - We confess Him as the **Christ**.
    - We confess Him as the Son of **God**.
    - We confess Him as the Son of **Man**.
  - We must be clear about the **work** of Jesus.
- Grasping the true identity of Jesus requires spiritual **insight**.
  - We need a mind **created** by God to grasp who Jesus is.
  - We need a mind **enlightened** by God to grasp who Jesus is.