



The apostles return from a campaign across Galilee (9:1-10). Their little vacation in Bethsaida didn't work out (9:10-17). Time for some R&R further north (9:18-27). Jesus takes them to Caesarea Philippi (Matthew 16:13), to the very "gates of hell", and they have a de-brief. The disciples had been across Galilee preaching during their 1<sup>st</sup> preaching tour. Who is everyone saying that Jesus is?

B.L.U.F. (Bottom Line Up Front): *Jesus put us on the offensive squad.*

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## 1. Declaration of Man v. 18-19

Who is Jesus?

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## 2. Declaration of Church v. 20

Matthew 16: 15-17

Who is Jesus?

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## 3. Declaration of Jesus v. 21-22

Matthew 16:18-21

**What will Jesus do?**

- 1) I will build my church on the truth of who I am
- 2) My church will be on the offense
- 3) My church will not fail!

Jesus made these declarations at the seat of:

- Apostasy – Dan
- False Religion –Pan
- Immorality – Fertility Cult



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