

## CHAPTER 16

*Jesus warns against the doctrine of the Pharisees and Sadducees—Peter testifies that Jesus is the Christ and is promised the keys of the kingdom—Jesus foretells His death and resurrection.*

**1** The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from <sup>a</sup>heaven.

**2** He <sup>a</sup>answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, *It will be* fair weather: for the sky is red.

**3** And in the morning, *It will be* foul weather to day: for the sky is red and <sup>a</sup>lowring. O ye <sup>b</sup>hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not *discern* the <sup>c</sup>signs of the <sup>d</sup>times?

**4** A wicked and <sup>a</sup>adulterous generation seeketh after a <sup>b</sup>sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the <sup>c</sup>sign of the prophet <sup>d</sup>Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

**5** And when his disciples were come to the other side, they had forgotten to take bread.

**6 ¶** Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the <sup>a</sup>leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

**7** And they reasoned among themselves, saying, *It is* because we have taken no bread.

**8** <sup>a</sup>Which when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread?

**9** Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?

**10** Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?

**11** How is it that ye do not understand that I spake *it* not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?

**12** Then understood they how that he bade *them* not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the <sup>a</sup>doctrine of the Pharisees and of the <sup>b</sup>Sadducees.

**13 ¶** When Jesus came into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?

**14** And they said, Some *say that thou art* John the Baptist: some, <sup>a</sup>Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.

**15** He saith unto them, But whom say <sup>a</sup>ye that I am?

**16** And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the <sup>a</sup>Christ, the <sup>b</sup>Son of the <sup>c</sup>living God.

**17** And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon <sup>a</sup>Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not <sup>b</sup>revealed *it* unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

**18** And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this <sup>a</sup>rock I will build my <sup>b</sup>church; and the gates of <sup>c</sup>hell shall not <sup>d</sup>prevail against it.

**19** And I will <sup>a</sup>give unto thee the <sup>b</sup>keys of the <sup>c</sup>kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt

<sup>d</sup>bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

**20** Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the <sup>a</sup>Christ.

**21 ¶** From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be <sup>a</sup>raised again the third day.

**22** Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee.

**23** But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou <sup>a</sup>savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.

**24 ¶** <sup>a</sup>Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him <sup>b</sup>deny himself, and take up his <sup>c</sup>cross, and <sup>d</sup>follow <sup>e</sup>me.

**25** For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will <sup>a</sup>lose his life for my sake shall <sup>b</sup>find it.

**26** For what is a man <sup>a</sup>profited, if he shall <sup>b</sup>gain the whole <sup>c</sup>world, and <sup>d</sup>lose his own <sup>e</sup>soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

**27** For the <sup>a</sup>Son of man shall come in the <sup>b</sup>glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall <sup>c</sup>reward every man according to his <sup>d</sup>works.

**28** Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of <sup>a</sup>death, till they see the Son of man coming in his <sup>b</sup>kingdom.

1a TG Heaven.

2a Prov. 26:5.

3a GR dark, gloomy.

3b TG Hypocrisy.

3c 2 Pet. 3:4 (3–10).

3d Esth. 1:13.

4a TG Adulterer.

4b Mark 8:12 (11–21).

4c Jonah 1:17.

4d TG Jesus Christ, Death of.

6a TG Leaven.

8a JST Matt. 16:9 *And when they reasoned among themselves, Jesus perceived it ...*

12a Matt. 15:9.

12b Matt. 22:23 (23–33).

- 14a IE Elijah.
- 15a IE The plural pronoun used here in the Greek indicates that Jesus asked this question of all the apostles and not just one of them.
- 16a TG Loyalty.
- 16b TG Jesus Christ, Divine Sonship.
- 16c TG God, Body of, Corporeal Nature.
- 17a IE Son of Jonah.
- 17b TG Revelation; Testimony; Witness.
- 18a Here is a subtle wordplay upon “Peter” (Greek *petros* = small rock) and “rock” (Greek *petra* = bedrock). Christ is the Stone of Israel. John 1:42; 1 Cor. 3:11 (9–11); 10:4; D&C 50:44; 128:10. TG Rock.
- 18b TG Church Organization; Jesus Christ, Head of the Church.
- 18c TG Hell.
- 18d D&C 17:8; 21:6.
- 19a D&C 7:7; 27:13. TG Delegation of Responsibility; God, Gifts of.
- 19b TG Apostles; Priesthood; Priesthood, Authority; Priesthood, History of; Priesthood, Keys of.
- 19c TG Kingdom of God, on Earth.
- 19d Hel. 10:7 (5–11); D&C 138:58 (58–60). TG Genealogy and Temple Work; Marriage, Celestial; Salvation for the Dead; Sealing.
- 20a TG Jesus Christ, Messiah.
- 21a TG Jesus Christ, Resurrection.
- 23a Hel. 10:4 (4–5).
- 24a JST Matt. 16:25–29 (Appendix).
- 24b TG Self-Mastery.
- 24c Matt. 10:38; 3 Ne. 12:30.
- 24d Philip. 3:17 (13–21); 2 Ne. 31:12 (12–13).
- 24e JST Matt. 16:25–26 ... me. *And now for a man to take up his cross, is to deny himself all ungodliness, and every worldly lust, and keep my commandments.*
- 25a TG Self-Mastery; Self-Sacrifice.
- 25b TG Abundant Life.
- 26a 1 Sam. 12:21; Prov. 13:7; Eccl. 1:3 (2–3).
- 26b Job 27:8. TG Selfishness; Treasure.

- 26c TG Worldliness.
- 26d Luke 9:25.
- 26e TG Mortality; Soul.
- 27a TG Jesus Christ, Son of Man.
- 27b TG Glory; Jesus Christ, Glory of; Jesus Christ, Second Coming.
- 27c TG Jesus Christ, Judge; Judgment, the Last; Retribution; Reward.
- 27d Prov. 24:12. TG Good Works.
- 28a TG Translated Beings.
- 28b TG Millennium.