



Asking With Wrong Motives

Matthew 16:1-12

Trusting the Compassionate Jesus

- So easily become untrusting (*Matt. 16:8-10*)
- In the mess of your own carelessness (*15:32*)
 - Jesus does not criticize you
 - Jesus has compassion on you
 - Jesus has a compulsion to help you

Sign-Seeking = Spiritual Adultery

- Pharisees wielded much earthly authority
- False life: hypocrisy of Pharisees (*Luke 12:1*)
- False teaching: Sadducees (*Acts 23:8*)

- Seeking God for what you'll get from Him
 - *James 4:4*: You are serving Mammon
 - *Phil. 3:3-11*: Paul's journey out of legalism

The Sign of the Resurrection

- Truth can only be understood by revelation
 - Secret: becoming a baby (*Matt. 11:25-26*)
1. Identity of Jesus Christ
 2. Authority of Church (keys: bind & loose)
 3. Way of the cross