



Introduction

Jesus has discussions with his disciples.



Questions

1. What was Peter praised for saying?
2. What was Peter then reprimanded for saying?
3. What does Jesus say that anyone who wants to follow him must do?



Summary Points

- **v 1 to 12** Jesus refuses to give the Pharisees and Sadducees a sign apart from the sign of the prophet Jonah (Matthew 12 v 40). Jesus tells his disciples to beware of their teaching
- **v 13 to 20** Jesus goes north to Caesarea Philippi (see map). Peter says that Jesus is the Christ (see theme). Jesus tells Peter that the fact that he is the Christ will be the foundation for his assembly. Jesus will give Peter the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven
- **v 21 to 23** Jesus tells them he must be killed and then raised to life again. Jesus accuses Peter of being a satan (see theme) to him
- **v 24 to 27** The disciples are warned that they must be prepared to give up all to follow him
- **v 28** Jesus says some will not die until they see the Son of Man coming in his Kingdom

Timeline 30 AD (see below)



Themes / Information

Titles of Jesus - the Christ

The word Christ means anointed. In Biblical times, special people such as kings were anointed as a sign of their appointment. So, Christ means someone appointed for a special purpose. Other themes show what the Bible tells us this special person will do.

A selection of verses showing that Jesus is the special person referred to as the Christ (the Messiah).

At the start of his Gospel, Matthew tells us that Jesus is the Christ:

Matthew 1 verse 16

The apostle Peter says that he believes that Jesus is the Christ:

Matthew 16 verse 16

Shepherds are told that Jesus is the Christ when he is born:

Luke 2 verse 11

A Samaritan woman says that she is expecting the Messiah also called Christ. Jesus confirms that he is the Christ:

John 4 verses 25 and 26



The apostle Peter says that the suffering of the Christ predicted by the prophets has happened:

Acts 3 verse 18

When Paul is on trial, as part of his defence, he says that the suffering of the Christ is part of his message:

Acts 26 verse 23

Israel in New Testament times





Satan - Bible facts

Satan simply means an adversary or one who opposes. In most Bible versions where the word satan occurs, sometimes it is left as satan and other times words like adversary are used. A selection of verses showing what the Bible tells us about satan.

The first time the word occurs, it is referring to an angel of God:

Numbers 22 verse 22

The second time the word occurs, it is referring to king David:

1 Samuel 29 verse 4

Satan sometimes refers to motives that are opposed to God. Two examples are:

Judas Iscariot when he betrayed Jesus:

Luke 22 verses 3 to 4

Two early believers who lied about the price of some land they had sold:

Acts 5 verses 1 to 4

There are several other places where the word is used of people. A couple of examples are:

1 Kings 5 verse 4

1 Kings 11 verse 14

We see that the word satan is used of God himself if we compare the two records of king David numbering Israel:

Chronicles 21 verse 1

Samuel 24 verse 1

A satan who can influence God and is given power by God is involved in Job's sufferings:

Job 2 verses 3 to 6

Satan tempts the Lord Jesus Christ:

Mark 1 verse 13

Jesus calls the apostle Peter a satan when he tries to oppose him:

Mark 8 verses 31 to 33

When 70 followers of Jesus tell him about their recent preaching and healing campaign, Jesus says this is like satan falling from heaven:

Luke 10 verses 17 to 20

Satan will shortly be crushed under the feet of the Roman believers:

Romans 16 verse 20

Satan stops Paul from coming to the Thessalonian believers:

1 Thessalonians 2 verse 18



The above verses gives us the following information:

- *Satans can be:*
 - *an angel of God*
 - *people*
 - *God himself*
 - *motives and intents opposed to God*
- *A satan influenced God and was given God's power*
- *A satan tempted Jesus Christ*
- *Successful preaching is said by Jesus Christ to be satan falling from heaven.*
- *Satan was in Judas Iscariot when he betrayed Jesus*
- *Satan would be crushed under the feet of the Roman believers*
- *A satan stopped Paul from coming to the Thessalonian believers*

Conclusion

Satan refers to powers, people, motives or influences that oppose.

🔍 Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 16, Q 2: v 22, Q 3: v 24



Bible timeline

