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Matthew 16:13-20 – *The Signs of the Kingdom* – The King Incognito

1. If you have had a conversation with someone about the identity of Jesus, share around your group how you handled it, or how you initiated it.
How can we lovingly have more conversations with people that get to the nitty gritty of who Jesus is?
2. How long has it been since you have challenged yourself to articulate, out loud, what you believe about Jesus? Try it now!
3. v.16 How could we adequately and 'normally' explain to people what Messiah/Christ means?
4. Caesarea Philippi was a place where multiple gods were honoured.
What challenges/temptations do you face from the syncretism of society today?
5. v.18 Jesus would build the church on Peter/Rock, but it would be His Church.
Why was this a remarkable claim and what do you think Jesus was saying?
6. What does the resilience of the Church mean to you?
How do you see this resilience being needed in the world today?
7. Compare Matt 16:20 with Matt 28:19-20.
Be brutally honest – if a stranger observed your life today, which one would they assume you lived by?
8. Spend some time praying together and for each other about the things you have shared.