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Matthew 16:13-15

### MAKE IT PERSONAL

Ephesus 3:20 (NIV) *Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!*

QUESTION: **Do you view God as personal?**

Matthew 16:13 (ESV) *Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup> And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup> He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"*

Matthew 16:18 (ESV) *And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it*

#### **Scheme #1: Make it Personal**

Example of Abraham

Genesis 12:1-3 (NIV) *The LORD had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you. <sup>2</sup> "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."*

2 Cor. 9:10 (ESV) *He who supplies seed to the sower... will supply and multiply your seed for sowing...*

*God, what part do you want me to play in the accomplishment of this vision in my church?*

**New Ministry Expansion**

**Operating Budget for 2 years**

**Wipe out our current debt**