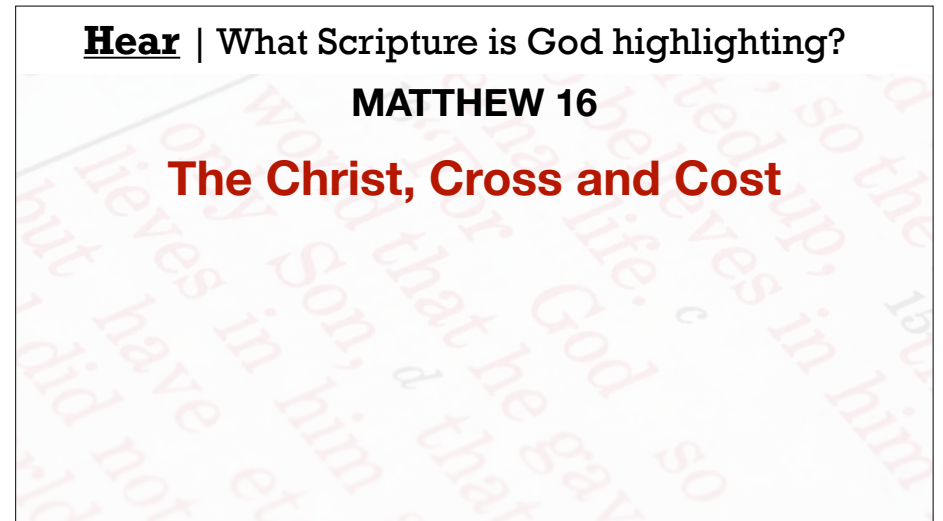


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Matt. 16:13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesare Philippi, he asked his disciples, **“Who do people say that the Son of Man is?”** ¹⁴ And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, **“But who do you say that I am?”** ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

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Matt. 16:21 From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, **“Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”**

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Matt. 16:24 Then Jesus told his disciples, “**If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.**”²⁵ **For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.**²⁶ **For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?**

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Examine | ... the context.

V.13-16 **Kingdom Confession:** The Messiah, Son of the living God.
 V.21-23 **Kingdom Cross:** Kingdom Call, Cross and Correction.
 V. 24-26 **Kingdom Cost:** Following Jesus cost us our lives.

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Examine | ... the context.

CHRIST	Confession	others - you
CROSS	Call	divine - not human
COST	Commitment	deny - take up - follow

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Apply | What is God saying to you?

1. Make Christ your daily confession.

2. What is your Cross - to fulfill Jesus' calling for your life?

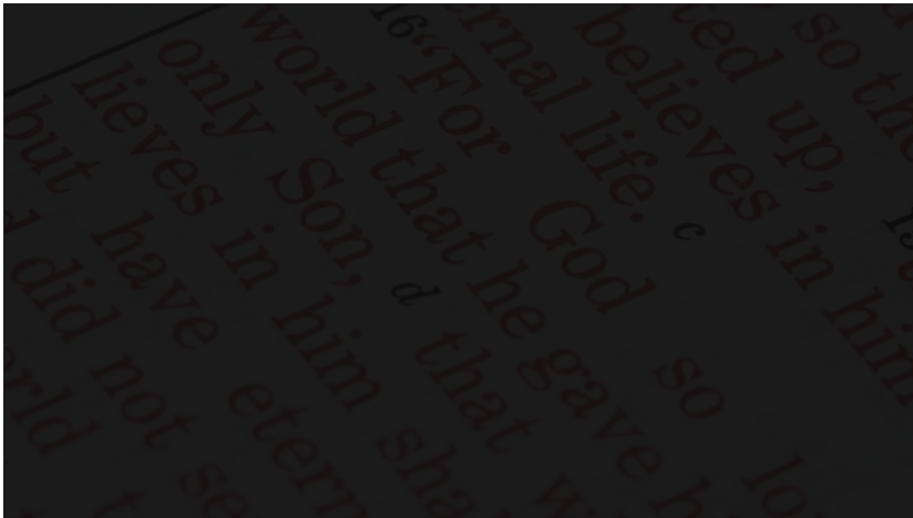
3. What Cost-commitment is God asking you to make?

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RESPOND | What is a prayer reflection?

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