

A man in a dark suit is seen from behind, standing in front of a chalkboard. His hands are clasped behind his back, holding a white chalk. On the chalkboard, a large, hand-drawn question mark is visible, with the words "WHO ARE YOU?" written in a serif font across its center. The background is a textured, light-colored wall.

WHO
ARE YOU?

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TOPIC: WHO ARE YOU?

TEXTS: MATT. 16:13-17, JM. 1:22

I. INTRODUCTION

One of things people feel as embarrassing is when they are asked, who are you?

Ordinarily the question demands identity of an individual. Every human being has an identity.

The scenario for our encouragement today is another version of, "Jesus who are you" or "What is your name?" Mk. 5:9

Similar question was asked on John the Baptist in a different way, "Are you the one"?

Matthew 16:13-17

[13]When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?

[14]And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.

[15]He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?

[16]And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

[17]And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

PRESENTATION OF THE MESSAGE

A. PERSONAL IDENTITY

- **The art of representing your true nature by name, position, responsibility etc.**
- **When one to fill out the bio-data, do you put someone else?**
- **Jesus always present himself with clear identity**

B. MISPLACED IDENTITY

- **Wrong assessment about someone**
- **Mistaken someone for another**
- **The people represented Jesus identity wrongly**

C. MISAPPROPRIATE IDENTITY

- **This when a criminal element would represent themselves wrongly**
- **They want to beat security at any point**
- **The Apostles themselves had a wrong notion about Jesus**

D. TRUE IDENTITY

- **Presenting the exact picture of someone**
- **Being proud to admit who someone is.**
- **At last, Peter strikes the match stick rightly. One answer must be correct.**

APPLICATION/CONCLUSION

- **Who are you? Is a statement that should redefine our confession of faith.**
- **Your real self makes up your real picture.**

- **Let Us Take Deep Breath Are Think Over This.**
- **Do we only bear the message of Truth and failed to speak or stand for the truth?**
- **Do we only called ourselves Saints yet resold ourselves back to the world?**
- **We claimed to have love but failed to show love, who are we?**
- **When we preached against any evil, do evil still hangs on our clothes?**
- **Then, the question, "Who Are You?"**

MEMORY VERSE

James 1:22

22 Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. NIV