Church

Five Characteristics of the Church

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15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

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 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

 17 And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

 18 "I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it. (Mat 16:15-18 NAU)

1. What is the key word of this passage?
2. In Greek, Peter is *petros* (which means ‘a stone’) and rock is *petra* (which means ‘a large rock’). What does “upon this rock” mean?
3. What does ‘flesh and blood’ mean?
4. What is the enabler of Peter’s confession, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God”?
5. What does Jesus say about the church?