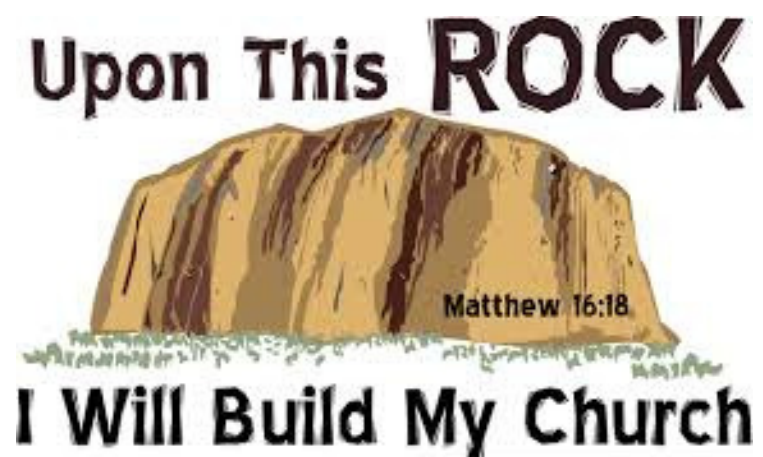




**Children's Church – 23<sup>rd</sup> August**  
**Matthew 16: 13-20**  
**Peter Declares Jesus to be the Messiah**

**Jesus** asked his disciples who they thought he was. It was **Peter** who said, "You are the **Messiah, the son of the living God**". Jesus told him that he was blessed, because it was God who had told him that.

He said "You are Peter, and on this **rock** I will build my **church**." He also said, "I will give you the **keys** to the kingdom of **Heaven**".



**Peter** recognised **Jesus** as the **Messiah** – this means the **Saviour**, or the **Chosen One**. He showed great understanding and faith!

**Song:**  
**Jesus Song** – this tells us who Jesus is!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rn84AYtFUSM>





## Activity:

Peter recognised Jesus as the Messiah. Another way of thinking about this is to say that he is our King. You can make your own crown to remind you of this. There is a template attached to these sheets – you can colour it in and cut it out, and then stick it to a strip of paper or card that fits around your head. A grown-up can help you with this. Make it as bright and beautiful as you can – maybe even add stickers or stick-on gems! This is the most important crown there is.



## Prayer:

### Dear Lord

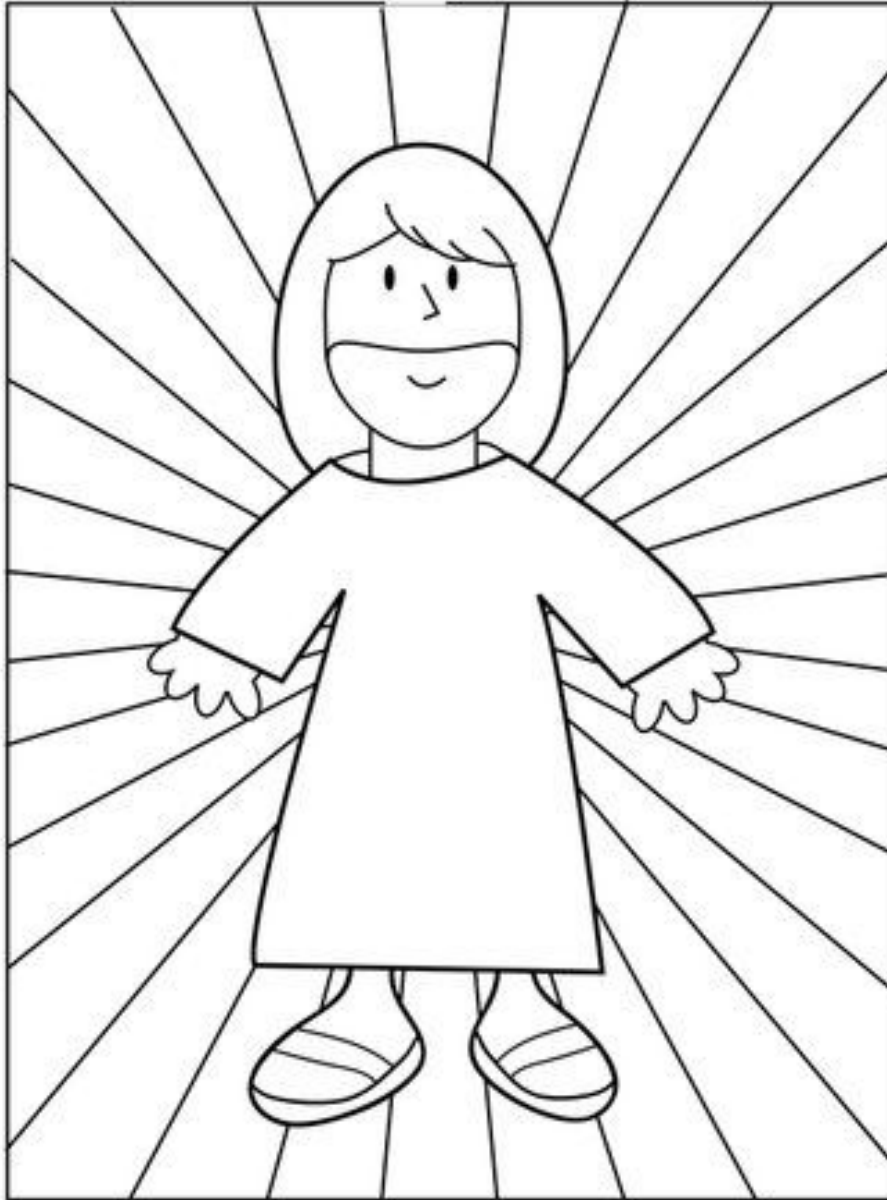


Thank you for being our **Messiah**, our **King** and our **Saviour**. Please help us to be like Peter by seeing this every time we pray to you and speak to you.

### Amen



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