## A Revolutionary Faith: A Corporate Faith in an Individualistic World Matthew 16:13-19

How does my weak faith grow into Life-changing, Radical Faith?

- It starts with the Word of God.
- It knows God as Heavenly Father.
- It acknowledges the Lordship of Jesus.
- It loves Jesus above all others.
- It seeks God's glory, not its own.

Seeking God's glory means that I choose to join God in His <u>purpose</u>, instead of asking God to join me in my purpose.

It means that I choose to hate what God hates and love what God loves.

When we take all the things we know about God's purpose and His love, we find that the church is at the top of His list.

## Three quick observations about the church:

- 1) Not everyone who claims to be a church is a church.
- 2) Just because a church has flaws doesn't mean that it ceases to be a church.
- 3) God's plan for His church did not grow obsolete with technology.

How is my faith and the church intertwined? Because most of the promises of God come to us corporately with relational interaction—not individually in isolation.

## How does the church grow my faith?

- It is where the revelation of God takes place.
- It is built upon the unwavering Rock of Christ.
- It is our only assured victory.
- It not only changes me, and this world, but <u>heaven</u> too!