

Mat 16:1-28 chiasm

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1A) 16:1-4 Hypocrites **SEEK A SIGN**;

1a) 16:1 The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting Him, desired that He would show them **a sign from heaven**;

1b) 16:2-3a He answered and said to them: When it is evening, you say, **It will be fair weather, for the sky is red**. And in the morning: **It will be foul weather today, for the sky is red** and threatening;

central axis) 16:3b **O you hypocrites!**

2b) 16:3c You can **discern the face of the sky**; but can you not discern the signs of the times?

2a) 16:4 A wicked and adulterous generation **seeks after a sign**; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonah. And He left them, and departed;

1B) 16:5-12 **BEWARE OF** the leaven of the Pharisees + Sadducees (i.e., **SELF-LOVE** and **SELF-PROMOTION**);

1a) 16:5-6 And when His disciples were come to the other side, they had forgotten to bring bread. Then Yeshua said to them: Take heed and **beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees**;

1b) 16:7-8 And they reasoned among themselves, saying: It is because we have brought no bread. Which when Yeshua perceived, He said to them: O you of little faith, why do you reason among yourselves, **because you have brought no bread**?

central axis) 16:9-10 **Do you not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets you took up? Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets you took up?**

2b) 16:11 How is it that you do not understand that **I spoke not to you concerning bread**, that you should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?

2a) 16:12 Then they understood that He bid them not **to beware** of the leaven of bread, but of **the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees**;

1C) 16:13-20 **PETER PROCLAIMED YESHUA**, and **YESHUA BLESSED PETER**;

1a) 16:13-14 When Yeshua came into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying: **Who do men say that I the Son of man am**? And they said: Some say that You are John the Baptist: some, Elijah; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets;

1b) 16:15-16 He said to them: But who do you say that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said: **You are the Messiah**, the Son of the living God;

central axis) 16:17 And Yeshua answered and said to him: **Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah: for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven;**

2b) 16:18-19 And I say also to you, that **you are Peter**, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatever you shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven;

2a) 16:20 Then He charged His disciples that **they should tell no man that He was Yeshua the Messiah;**

CENTRAL AXIS) 16:21 FROM THAT TIME FORTH YESHUA BEGAN TO SHOW TO HIS DISCIPLES, THAT HE MUST GO TO JERUSALEM, AND SUFFER MANY THINGS FROM THE ELDERS AND CHIEF PRIESTS AND SCRIBES, AND BE KILLED, AND BE RAISED AGAIN THE THIRD DAY;

2C) 16:22-23 Then **PETER** took Him, and **BEGAN TO REBUKE HIM**, saying: Far be it from You, Lord: this shall not be done to You. But **HE TURNED, AND SAID TO PETER: GET BEHIND ME, SATAN:** you are an offense to Me: for you are not mindful of the things that are of God, but those that are of men (i.e., Peter rebuked Yeshua, and Yeshua rebuked Satan);

2B) 16:24-26 Then Yeshua said to His disciples: If any man will come after Me, **LET HIM DENY HIMSELF**, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever will save his life shall lose it: and **WHOEVER WILL LOSE HIS LIFE FOR MY SAKE** shall find it. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? (i.e., Let the true disciples **DENY SELF** and **LOSE THEIR LIVES** for My sake);

2A) 16:27-28 Some, who **HAVE NOT SOUGHT A SIGN**, will see the sign of His glory;

1a) 16:27a For **the Son of man shall come** in the glory of His Father with His angels;

central axis) 16:27b And then He shall reward every man according to his works;

2a) 16:28 Truly I say to you, there are some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see **the Son of man coming** in His kingdom.