## THE DIVINE PROMISE, PART 1 (Matthew 16:18)

I.	The _	of the Church: "Upon"		
	(Mat	t. 16:18a)		
	A.	Catholicism identifies it asasApostle		
		1. Was Peter the of Christianity?		
		2. Was Peter made over all Christianity?		
		3. Did Peter live and die in?		
		4. Was Peter's given that was		
		?		
		5. Did Peter transmit authority to the leading		
		official at?		
	B.	More likely, it is Peter's (16:16)		
	C.	<i>Most</i> likely, it is the with Peter taking		
		(cf. Eph. 2:19-22)		
II.	The _	of the Church: "I"		
	(Mat	t. 16:18a)		
	A.	The verb form may refer to action, or to		
		of action		

	В.	The emphasis is on	because Christ is the	
III.	The _	of the Church: "	" (Matt. 16:18a)	
	A.	Members are united with Him as His	(Eph. 4:4,12, 16)	
	B.	Members are united with Him as His	(Eph. 5:25-29)	
	C.	Members are united in Him as His (Rom. 12:4-5, 10; Gal. 3:26; Eph. 1:5)		
		1. We are siblings (Gal. 3:26; Eph. 1:5; Heb. 2:11)		
		2. We aresil	olings (Rom. 12:4-5, 10; 14:4)	
IV.	The_	and	of the Church: "	
" (Matt. 16:18 <i>a</i> )				
	A.	It is by His	(Rom. 8:30)	
	B.	It is being by His	(Acts 2:39)	
	C.	It will be at His 4:16-17)	(Heb. 12:23; 1 Thess.	
V.	The_	The of the Church: "the Gates of Hades Will N		
	It" (Matt. 16:18 <i>b</i> )			
	A.	Christ the	_ from bondage to	
	B.	Christ the from	m bondage to	