

SERMON NOTES PM

WHAT IS THE CHURCH OF CHRIST?

And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.
Matthew 16:18 (p 1131)

NAME Term "church of Christ" found only _____ time in scripture (plural form)

The churches of Christ greet you. Romans 16:16 (p 1309)

Acts 2:47 (p 1255) "the church"

1 Timothy 3:15 (p 1363) "_____"

Acts 9:2 (p 1264) "the _____"

Hebrews 12:23 (p 1384) "Firstborn"

1 Corinthians 1:2 (p 1310) "of God"

Revelation 21:9 (p 1424) "_____"

1 Thess. 1:1 (p 1356) "church of..."

THE NAME CHURCH OF CHRIST IS FITTING BECAUSE

He _____ it *Matthew 16:18 (p 1131)*

He is HEAD *Ephesians 5:23 (p 1346)*

He died for it *Ephesians 5:25 (p 1346)*

He is _____ *Ephesians 5:25 (p 1346)*

He _____ it *Acts 20:28 (p 1281)*

He is LORD *Acts 2:36 (p 1254)*

BEGINNING

Prophesied *Isaiah 2:2-3; Daniel 2*

Promised *Matthew 16:13-19*

Perfecting *Acts 2*

Propagated *Acts, Epistles*

THE MANIFOLD WISDOM OF GOD MIGHT BE MADE KNOWN BY THE
CHURCH. EPHESIANS 3:10 (P 1344)

All Protestant denominations are less than _____ years old.

In 1492 you could not be a Lutheran, Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal, Mormon, Pentecostal, Nazarene, Presbyterian, or any other kind of denomination!

WHAT ABOUT ALEXANDER CAMPBELL?

Tombstone of William Rogers at Cane Ridge Meeting House, Paris, Kentucky

William Rogers Born in Campbell Co., VA. July 7, 1784 Removed With His Father To Caine Ridge, Bourbon Co., Apr. 1798

United With The Church Of Christ At Caine Ridge In 1807 Died Feb. 15, 1862 In The 78th Year Of His Age

WORK

Based on AUTHORITY of SCRIPTURE *1 Peter 4:11 (p 1393)*

Authority in _____ Authority in _____ Authority in _____ Authority in _____

How do I find MY TRUCK? IDENTIFYING MARKS: NAME, BRAND, DOORS, COLOR, VIN #

How do I find the church of the New Testament?

THE IDENTIFYING MARKS NAME / BEGINNING / ORGANIZATION / WORSHIP / MISSION / SALVATION

✓ DOES IT MAKE A DIFFERENCE WHICH CHURCH I BELONG TO?

✓ ARE ALL CHURCHES PLEASING TO GOD?

✓ CAN I GO TO HEAVEN BY DIFFERENT PATHS?

✓ CAN I CHOOSE THE CHURCH OF MY CHOICE?

Hebrews 12:22-24 (p 1384)

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THE THORN IN THE FLESH

And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. (2 Corinthians 12:7)

The Apostle Paul Saved by _____ *1 Timothy 1:12-16 (p 1362)*

A man of _____ *1 Corinthians 1:14-17; 2:1-5 (p 1311)*

Paul's Vision

_____ had a vision *Genesis 28:10-22 (p 31)* *Moses had a vision Exodus 33:17-23 (p 101)*

The book of *Ezekiel* is filled with visionary images; consider the _____ by John.

After Paul describes his great vision, he also tells of a condition that came because of his vision. *2 Cor. 12:7-10 (p 1335)*

Paul's Thorn In The Flesh

What was his thorn in the flesh?

"The ridiculous opinions of commentators is a melancholy attestation of their inclination to fanciful conjecture where it is impossible in the nature of the case to ascertain the truth."
(Albert Barnes)

"See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand!" Galatians 6:11 (p 1342)

1. There was a reason why he was given the _____.
2. There was his initial _____ to the thorn.
3. There was his reaction to the _____ to the thorn.

Deuteronomy 29:29 (p 237)

The Reason Paul Was Given A Thorn In The Flesh

- ✓ On the road to Damascus - *Acts 9:3-6*
- ✓ In Jerusalem - *Acts 22:17-21*
- ✓ At Troas - *Acts 16:8-10*
- ✓ In Corinth - *Acts 18:9-11*
- ✓ In Jerusalem again - *Acts 23:11*
- ✓ On his way to Rome - *Acts 27:22-25*

The vision of _____ *2 Corinthians 12:1-6 (p 1335)*

PRIDE OVER THESE REVELATIONS Warnings to _____ *1 Timothy 3:6 (p 1363)*

Paul had a humble heart; a bondservant *1 Corinthians 4:6-13 (p 1313)*

His First Reaction to The Thorn Was A Desperate Plea

Being human he wanted to get rid of it *2 Corinthians 12:8 (p 1335)*

Pleaded with the Lord _____ TIMES!!!

Like Jesus in Gethsemane *Luke 22:39-43 (p 1215)*

PRAY

- ☞ Persistent *Luke 18:1-8 (p 1207)*
- ☞ Earnestly *Matthew 7:7 (p 1118)*
- ☞ Specifically, as Paul did!

Paul's Faith Is Found In His _____ Of What He Could Not And What _____ Would Not Change

My _____ is sufficient for you

My strength is made perfect in _____

How did Paul react? What did he NOT do? What did he do?

He reaffirmed his faith in God "I will _____ in my infirmities"

"I take _____ in ..."

"When I am weak, I am _____"

2 Timothy 4:17-18 (p 1369)

Matthew 27:29 (p 1148)