**What is the Church?**
Matthew 16:16-18

**I. What the Church is Not!**

A. It is not this B\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

B. It is not the W\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

C. It is not me or an I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for which I am the authority!

 1. The C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that represent God.

 2. O\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is passed on through generations.

 3. They are P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God.

 4. They C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ministry.

 5. They operate under a C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 6. Their scriptural authority is C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ L\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 7. They tend to F\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on a charismatic leader.

**II. What the Church Is**

A. The original word.

 1. Church = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 2. How did it develop in the New Testament? - Ephesians 2:19-20; Hebrews 3:6; I Corinthians 3:16; 6:19 &
 I Peter 2:5

b. How was this word used in the New Testament?

 1. A S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ crowd - Acts 19:32, 39.

 2. The body throughout the W\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Galatians 1:13; Ephesians 5:23 & Hebrews 12:22-23.

 3. The church of a C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Acts 13:1; I Corinthians 1:2; Acts 8:1 & Revelation 2:1.

 4. A local C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Romans 16:5 & Colossians 4:15.

C. So - the church is you & me!

 1. Together or S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 2. Meeting in this B\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or not.

 3. We don't have to be a not-for-profit C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 4. We are called:

 a. Saints = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 b. The Way = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 5. The church obeyed & served God by:

 a. W\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Acts 8:4.

 b. B\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Acts 2:40-41.

 c. Making D\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Acts 2:42.

 d. A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with mind & heart
 - II Corinthians 13:11.

 e. E\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, T\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & supporting - I Thessalonians 5:11.

f. Helping the needy - Acts 2:44-45.
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