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LESSON 2

The Church

Matthew 16:18

Who built the church? _____

To whom does the church belong _____

Did Jesus build churches(plural) or the church (singular)? _____

Ephesians 1:20-23

Is Jesus the head over all things to the church? _____

In verse 23 the church is also called his _____

Ephesians 4:4

Is there only one hope? _____

Is there only one Holy Spirit? _____

Is there only one body (church)? _____

John 17:20-21

Did Jesus pray that his followers all be one? _____

1 Corinthians 1:10

Is religious division condemned? _____

Since religious division is condemned and since Jesus prayed that all his followers be one just we strive to be religiously? _____

Colossians 1:18

Since Jesus is the head of the church, the body, should we go to anyone there than Jesus and the inspired writers of the New Testament to learn the organization, worship and name of his church? _____

The Organization Of The Church

Matthew 15:13

If a church is not built in accordance with the Word of God, will it be rooted up?

Acts 14:23

Did these inspired men ordain Elders in every church? _____

Are we right if we do as they did in ordaining a plurality of Elders in every congregation? _____

Could we be wrong if we did NOT organize the church the way those inspired men of God did? _____

Acts 20:17, 28

Are the Elders to be the overseers of the church? _____

Titus 1:5-7

When Paul told Titus to set things in order, did he tell him to ordain Elders? _____

When we do what Titus did in organizing the church, are we doing the will of God?

Do the terms "Elder", "Bishop" and "Overseer" refer to the same office? _____

1 Timothy 3:1-7

Must an Elder be married? _____

Must an Elder have children? _____

May a recent convert (novice) serve as an Elder? _____

1 Timothy 3:8-12

What church official is under discussion here?

Is it God's plan that there be qualified Elders and Deacons in every church?

Philippians 1:1

The church at Philippi was organized with _____ and _____

The Worship Of The Church

John 4:24

Must we worship God in spirit and in truth? _____

John 17:17

What is truth? _____

Since we must worship God in truth, must we worship as God has directed in the Bible? _____

Matthew 15:9

Is it possible to worship God in vain? _____

If we worship God according to the commandments of uninspired men, will God acc

Luke 22: 19-20

Did Jesus command his disciples to partake of the Lord's Supper? _____

1 Corinthians 10:16

The cup is a communion of the _____ of Christ.

The bread is a communion of the _____ of Christ.

Acts 20:7

When God told the Israelites in Exodus 20:8 to remember the Sabbath, did he mean for them to keep every Sabbath? _____

When those Christians met upon the first day of the week to eat the Lord's Supper, did they do it on the first day of each week? _____

Should Christians today eat the Lord's Supper upon the first day of the week? _____

Acts 2:42

The disciplines continued steadfastly in _____
_____, _____ and the

Will we be pleasing to God if we continue steadfastly in these things _____

1 Corinthians 16:1-2

Is it God's will that we give as we have been prospered? _____

Are we to make a contribution on the same day we are to partake of the Lord's Supper?

Ephesians 5:19

Are we to sing? _____

Does this passage mention mechanical instruments of music? _____

Church historians tell us that the followers of Christ did not use mechanical instruments of music in their worship for hundreds of years after Christ.

The Greek Orthodox Church, which broke off from the Roman Catholic Church, has never used instrumental music in their worship.

When you attend the worship of the church of Christ, you will notice we do not use instrumental music in our worship. The following comparisons help to illustrate the reason:

Genesis 6:14 God told Noah, "Make thee an ark of gopher wood."

Would Noah have sinned if he had built the ark of metal or mud? _____

Would Noah have sinned if he had built the ark of any other wood? _____

When God said, "Gopher wood," that automatically eliminated any other kind of wood.

When God said, "Sing," that automatically eliminated any other kind of music.

Leviticus 10:1-2

Did Nadab and Abihu sin when they offered a different kind of fire than God commanded? _____

Did God punish them? _____

Is it important to worship God the way HE has command did without alteration? _____

Matthew 26:26-29

Would it be a sin to put jam on the bread to improve the taste? _____

Would it be a sin to add vitamin tonic to the fruit of the vine to aid our enthusiasm
in serving God? _____

Would it be a sin to add hamburgers and milkshakes to the Lord's Supper? _____

Would Noah have sinned if he had used oak and gopher wood in the ark? _____

Did God approve of Nadab and Abihu offering a different kind of fire than he had commanded?

Is it a sin to add jam and vitamin tonic and instrumental music to the worship? _____

<i>LORD'S SUPPER</i>	<i>MUSIC</i>
BREAD - JAM FRUIT OF THE VINE - VITAMIN TONIC HAMBURGERS MILKSHAKES	VOCAL - INSTRUMENTAL

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The Name Of The Church

Matthew 16:18

Who built the church? _____

Jesus said He was going to build whose church?

Acts 20:28 - God formerly ga

Who purchased the church? _____

Whose name should be on the "deed"? _____

1 Corinthians 1:10:13

Is it a sin to name the church after Paul, Apollos, Cephas, or any other human being?

If the church were named after Paul, whom would we be glorifying? _____

If the church were named after a religious act such as "Repentance", what would we be glorifying? _____

If it were a sin to name it the "Pauline Church", would it be a sin to name it the "Lutheran Church"? _____

If it were a sin to name it the "Repentance Church", would it be a sin to name it the "Baptist Church"? _____

Can you think of other unauthorized religious names that are used today? _____

Colossians 3:17

Are we to do "all" in the name of the Lord Jesus? _____

Would this include the name by which we refer to God's people? _____

Romans 16:16

Do you read of the church of Christ in the Bible? _____

Would it be wrong to call the church by his name? _____

Would this name glorify the one who built the church and bought it with his blood?

Hebrew 8:5

Was Moses warned to build the tabernacle after God's pattern? _____

Must we be careful to build the church after God's pattern? _____

Summary

In this lesson we have learned:

1. Jesus is the builder, owner and head of the church
2. Jesus built only one church.
3. Unity among the followers of Jesus is commanded and division is condemned.
4. We must go to the New Testament to learn the organization, worship and name of the church.
5. God has decreed that there be qualified Elders and Deacons in every congregation.
6. In the worship services of the church we are commanded to:
 1. Partake of the Lord's Supper on the first day of the week
 2. Teach God's word
 3. Pray
 4. Sing
 5. Make a contribution
7. The name "church of Christ" is Scriptural and would glorify the one who built the church and bought it with his blood.