

**When I View God's People
As A Church . . .**

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I. My view is God's view

1 Pet. 2:10; Matt. 16:18; Eph. 5:23; Col. 1:18

. . . who once were not a people but are now the

. . . I will build My church, and the gates of Hades

. . . the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is

And He is the head of the body, the church, who is
the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
that in all things He may have the preeminence.

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But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who **called** you **out of** darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9)

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He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. (Col. 1:13-14)

. . .having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart (Eph. 4:18)

“What Must I Do To Be Saved?”

Hear The Gospel (Rom. 10:17)

Believe In Christ (Jn. 8:24)

Repent Of Sins (Acts 2:38)

Confess Christ (Rom. 10:10)

Be Baptized (1 Pet. 3:21)

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned." Mark 16:16

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Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. 1 Corinthians 1:10

Acts 20:7; 2:46

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III. I learn what the church was not and is not

A. Always the same group of people
(Mt. 16:18 versus Romans 16:16)

B. Any group using "church" and a Bible

C. The product of human tradition

Gospel of Christ

Love of Christ

Grace of Christ

Blood of Christ

Cross of Christ

Church of Christ

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IV. I realize—

- A. There is room for me Mk. 16:15
- B. There is work to do 1 Thess. 1:3
- C. There are blessings available Eph. 1:3; 3:20-21

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For The Erring Child:

**Repent (Acts 8:22), Confess (1 Jn. 1:9),
Pray (Acts 8:22)**