



ECCLESIOLOGY

ACTS 2:42-47



TRUE OR FALSE

1. Jesus said Peter would build His Church.
2. Baptism into the Church is by water.
3. Israel is distinct from the Church.
4. Psalm 73 has reference to the Church.
5. The Church was at Jerusalem.
6. Jesus will come back for His Church.

THE CHURCH IS

A gathering of born again people worshipping God and using their spiritual gifts to serve Him.

An organized gathering of saved, baptized people, accountable to leadership, working with dependence on one another to exalt Christ and carry out His plan.

OFFICERS

Pastor – Ephesians 4:11 1 Peter 5:2

Elder – Acts 20:17 Titus 1:5 I Peter 5:1

Bishop – Acts 20:28 I Tim. 3:1 Titus 1:7

Deacons – Acts 6:3 I Timothy 3:11

Trustees – Romans 13:1-7 12:11

ORDINANCES

Baptism – Matthew 28:19,20 1 Cor. 1:14
Acts 2:41; 8:12,38; 16:15; 19:5

Communion – Matthew 26:26 Acts 2:42
1 Corinthians 10:16; 11:23

Feet washing – John 13:14, 15

SHOULD I

Attend a local church?

Discover how and where I fit in?

Be “called” to minister?

Seek advice from deacon’s before I make a
decision about the Lord’s will?

Be baptized?

Always eat at the Lord’s table?

Jesus Said

“I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH AND THE GATES OF HELL WILL NOT PREVAIL AGAINST IT”

“GO, MAKE DISCIPLES, TEACHING THEM TO DO THE THINGS I HAVE SAID,”

“FEED MY SHEEP”

THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

- **God Has Always Had A People**
- Many a foolish conquer made the mistake of thinking that because he had forced the Church of Jesus Christ out of sight, that he had stilled its voice and snuffed out its life.
- **But God Has Always Had A People**
- The powerful current of a rushing river is not diminished because it is forced to flow underground. The purest water is the stream that bursts crystal clear into the sunlight after it has fought its way through solid rock.
- There have been charlatans who like Simon the magician, sought to barter on the open market that power which cannot be bought or sold.

But God Has Always Had A People

- Men who could not be bought and women who were beyond purchase.
- Yes, God Has Always Had A People
- There have been times of affluence and prosperity when the Church's message was nearly diluted into oblivion by those who sought to make it socially attractive, neatly organized and financially profitable. It has been gold plated ,draped in purple and encrusted with jewels. It has been misrepresented, ridiculed, blotted and scorned.
- These followers of Jesus Christ have been according to the whim of the times elevated as sacred leaders and martyred as heretics. Yet through it all, there marches on that powerful army of the meek, God's chosen people that can't be bought, flattered, murdered or stilled. On through the ages they march.

The Church, God's Church Triumphant, is Alive and Well!

- Now listen child of God. It's alive!
Discouraged pastor it's His Church and it's alive!
Lonely Missionary sow your seeds with confidence!
It's alive my broken hearted friend!
Old saint you're not alone and forgotten, the Church is
alive!
Busy mother cast your cares on Jesus!
It's alive young student. You're not alone in serving the
Lord!
Faithful father there's rest in the Lord! The Church is
alive!
- Cynical skeptic you haven't killed God with your noisy
unbelief.
- **He's Alive!**

So family of God

raise you voice and praise the Lord.

For the Church,
God's Church Triumphant
is Alive and Well!

AMEN !!!!!!!