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W - BEN WRIGHT - CHRIST, THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

W - SINGING AND FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

**WOMEN'S TEACHERS WORKSHOP AT CURRY, JANUARY 21 9 AM-3 PM**

**WOMEN'S DAY AT WINFIELD, JAN 28**

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Jan 18: Cynthia Pope

20: Blake Wright

# THE WEST WALKER WELCOMER

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## TIMES OF SERVICES

### **SUNDAY MORNING**

**BIBLE CLASS 9:30**

**WORSHIP 10:20**

**SUNDAY EVENING 5:00**

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00**

### ELDERS:

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**CHRIST, THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH**

(Ep 1:22-23)

**The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Founder.**

- A. The church that deserves our \_\_\_\_\_ is the one built by Christ.
- B. Jesus plainly stated He would build His \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 16:18).
- C. But some still \_\_\_\_\_ that it doesn't matter who began it or when it began.
  - 1. It is a big deal to \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Co 1:11-13).
  - 2. If we are to belong to the church Jesus spoke about, we must belong to the church He \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. Some claim the church began with \_\_\_\_\_ and others with \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 1. Both died never \_\_\_\_\_ the church begin.
  - 2. John's death told before Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ His intention to build a church (Matthew 14:10; 16:18).
- E. Some say it began during Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ ministry.
  - 1. Can't be true because Jesus spoke of the church's \_\_\_\_\_ establishment before and after resurrection.
  - 2. Only spoken of existing after Pentecost \_\_\_\_\_ (2:47).
- F. There are many churches that claim many \_\_\_\_\_, but only one was founded by Christ.

**I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ being the Founder.**

- A. One church was founded with \_\_\_\_\_ origin.
  - 1. Christ's church built upon His \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2. Therefore His church was founded on deity not \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. The one ch was built upon a solid \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 1. Foundation is \_\_\_\_\_ (Isaiah 28:16; 1Corinthians 3:11).
  - 2. Only one to be \_\_\_\_\_ by God and that is one Christ founded (Ephesians 2:20).
- C. The one church was bought by the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ (Acts 20:28).
- D. The one church was designed to be \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. The one church was built to \_\_\_\_\_ its Founder.
  - 1. The name that brings honor to Christ is \_\_\_\_\_ (Isaiah 61:1-2 + Acts 11:26).
  - 2. The New Testament church was \_\_\_\_\_ by names that honored its Founder (1 Corinthians 1:1-2; Romans 16:16).
- F. The one church was built to \_\_\_\_\_ man and God.
  - 1. Only takes \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ's body (Ephesians 2:14-16).
  - 2. All spiritual blessings only \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ (Ephesians 1:3).
- G. The one church was built to last \_\_\_\_\_ (Ephesians 1:3-10).

## George W. DeHoff

through the world are congregations of Christians who have obeyed the commands which our blessed Lord said for sinners to obey to be saved. These Christians meet for worship and are organized into local congregations. They belong to no denomination. They have no central government or earthly headquarters. Each congregation is independent, taking the New Testament as its sole and only authority in religion. The members insist that if we believe the same things the early Christians did, and do the same things they did, it will make us the same thing. Paul was a member of no denomination, yet he was a Christian and a member of the Lord's Church.

The church of Christ was established on Pentecost day, A.D. 33, as we read in Acts 2. Every saved person was added to the church (Acts 2:47), thus the church is composed of all Christians on earth, and every saved person is in it. The members of the church were called "Christians" (Acts 11:26), a name which the Lord gave (Isa. 62:2). All names of human origin are condemned (1 Cor. 1:12-13; Acts 4:12).

The Word of God is the seed of the King" (Luke 8:11). This seed produced Christians when first planted. If we plant the same seed today, we will reap the same product. The life is in the seed. If there were not a Christian on earth today, you might become one by believing, repenting, confessing your faith in Christ, and being baptized. If there were not a church of Christ on earth, we might start one by obeying the gospel the apostles preached. Paul went to Corinth and preached the gospel and "many of the Corinthians hearing, believed, and were baptized" (Acts 18:8). Paul later addressed them as the "church of God" and "the body of Christ" (1 Cor. 1:2, 12:27).

Fourteen centuries have passed since the beginning of the church (now, nearly twenty - DR), but we still have the same truth. We have today the same church unchanged in name, doctrine, organization, faith, and practice. We dare not use any creed except the New Testament (2 John 9). We must not add to our worship any doctrine or commandment of man (Matt. 15:9). Our plea is for unity - not simply union in diversity - but for all time on the platform of God's Word (Eph. 4:4-6). We plead no merit of our own - only the merit of Christ's shed blood and of His holy Word. The New Testament is the inspired Word of God and is superior to any human confession of faith (2 Tim. 3:16-17). Will you not join with us in standing on the solid rock of God's Word?

The churches of Christ salute you" - Romans 16:16b.