

Those Added by Lord to Church of Christ are called Christians

The Kingdom was to be established during the days of the Roman Empire cf:

Daniel 2:44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

Jesus used the words Church & Kingdom inter-changeably cf:

Matt 16:13ff

we must be born again of water & Spirit to enter the Kingdom

John 3:3-5 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. 3:4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and *of* the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. born again by being baptized results in the indwelling Holy Spirit cf:

Acts 2:36-47

I Cor 12:13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether *we be* Jews or Gentiles, whether *we be* bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

1Co 12:20 But now *are they* many members, yet but one body.

1Co 12:27 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

Col 1:13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son:

Col 1:18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all *things* he might have the preeminence.

Eph 1:18-23 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. Cf: I John 1:5. 'Know' is to have a full understanding of the hope of His calling which is everlasting life. The riches are the heavenly inheritance.

Eph 1:19 And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

Power in Greek is krat-os meaning vigor, strength and dominion. The great knowledge of everlasting life, our glorious inheritance.

Eph 1:20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places*,

If a dead Savior can save us from our sins, how much more powerful is a living Savior seated in the heavenly places at God's own right hand making intercession for us in the Kingdom of Heaven, the church.

Eph 1:21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

Far above all kings, princes, magistrates, and Angelis tic beings, either good or bad.

Eph 1:22 And hath put all *things* under his feet, and gave him *to be* the head over all *things* to the church,

Christ has been given all authority and power cf: Matthew 28:18. Christ is made the head of the church, not just the ruler, but the head of the body, which gets life from the head.

Eph 1:23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

Only one name given

The church is His spiritual earthly body living and united in union with the head. The fullness of Him is the visible manifestation of the fullness of Him living from the dead and fills all in all with His glory, majesty and power.

These last four verses describe Christ's glorious resurrection.

His exultation to God's own right hand. His supreme dominion over all things. His being the head of the church, which is His body on earth.

Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Isa 61:1-11

To be called by a new name when Gentiles come to God

Isa 62:1-6ff

Gentiles come

Acts 11:1 And the apostles and brethren that were in Judaea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God.

Acts 11:26 And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves

with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

new name Christians cf:

Acts 26:28 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian.

I Peter 4:16 Yet if *any man suffer* as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf

The Church of Christ

Rom 16:16 Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you.

Rev 19:6-9 And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. 19:7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. 19:8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. 19:9 And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed *are* they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.

Rev 21:1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

The earth will pass away, don't get too attached to your stuff, none of it is permanent. In the end, only our eternal souls and our spiritual investments will live on ...

Rev 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Rev 21:3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they

shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.

a bride takes her husband's name

Gen 5:1-2 This *is* the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him; 5:2 Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.

we are Priests

I Pet 2:1-9

cf,

Rom 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.

Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Col.3:1ff