

## STUDY QUESTIONS FOR “THE DISTINCTIVE NATURE OF THE CHURCH” [PART I]

1. In Matthew 16:18, when Christ asked Peter who he thought He was, what answer did Peter give?
2. In Matthew 16:18, Christ said, “...upon this rock I will build My church.” What was “the rock” upon which Christ’s church was to be constructed?
3. As Acts 2:47 makes clear, a person does not “join” the Lord’s church. According to that same verse, how **does** a person get into the church?
4. Of what did Christ accuse the Pharisees in Matthew 15:9?
5. What impact does Christ’s statement in Matthew 15:13 (“Every plant which My heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted”) have on denominationalism today?
6. According to Paul’s statement in 1 Corinthians 3:11, who or what is the foundation upon which the church is built?
7. According to Isaiah’s prophecy in Isaiah 2:2-3, the church was to begin in Zion. What, according to that same passage, is another name for Zion?
8. According to Luke 24:46-49, what even had to take place before repentance and remission of sins could be preached from Jerusalem?
9. What, according to Acts 2:41, happened to those people who repented and were baptized after Peter’s sermon on the Day of Pentecost?
10. In Mark 9:1, what did Jesus promise regarding the kingdom of heaven (the church)?
11. In Daniel 2:44, Daniel prophesied about a future kingdom that would arrive “in the days of these kings.” To whom (or what) did Daniel’s prophecy refer?
12. What other important fact about the kingdom of Heaven is found in Daniel 2:44?
13. Paul said in Colossians 1:13-14 that God had delivered certain people “from the power of darkness” and had conveyed them into something else. What was that “something else”?
14. According to Matthew 16:18, who is the owner of the church?
15. According to Matthew 16:18 and Romans 16:16, whose name should the church wear?
16. In Acts 11:26 and Matthew 16:18, what name is given to people in the Lord’s church?
17. In 1 Corinthians 1:12-13, what did the apostle Paul condemn?
18. In Titus 1:5, what did Paul tell Titus to appoint in every church?