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I would like to speak to you this morning about the Church. There are many ideas about what the church is, what its purpose is, how it should operate, what our relationship to it should be, and just how important it is in our society.

The new Testament has much to say about the Church. The apostle Paul mentioned it in Col. 1:24 "Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the Church." Here Paul speaks of the church as the body of Christ. From this we see that the church is made up of all true believers in Christ. Illust. The last supper.

Jesus suffered for the Church as we read in Ep. 5:25-27, "Husbands love your wives even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it, that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word. That He might present it to himself a glorious church not having spot nor wrinkle or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish."

We should never think of the church lightly. Use illust. Mr. Barrow and his idea of the church.

Illus. J. C. Penny, James Garfield, J. Garfield, Michael Paul believed in the church so strongly that in the scripture I just read in Col. He said he was rejoicing in his sufferings for the church at colosia.

The Church is not just a club or another social organisation or just a show or a play house. The work of the church is serious business and should not be taken lightly. The church has the business of preparing people to live successfully in this life, and for a place of everlasting joy with God after this life is over. The church has the business of rescuing men, women, boys and girls from the fires of hell. I think that is really important business, don't you.

Each congregation is only a small part of the great body of Christ. To forsake the church is to forsake Christ. You cannot separate Christ and the Church.

Paul made many missionary journeys to establish new churches, he saw the great importance of each one and wept and cried over some of them because he had them in his heart. Because he had the concern and love like Christ. Do we weep over the church as much as we should or do we run when the way is hard. There are many people in communist countries that are ready to suffer and if need be to die for their Church. They have to meet in secret and often are subjected to much cruelty but they hold fast in their faith. *Ps. 126:5-6 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. They shall go out into the highways and hedges* Some people treat their job in the church very lightly, but our work for the church is the most important job we will ever have. Our work for the church is not confined to four walls. One person asked a pastor where his church was. On Sunday the church is inside a certain building, during the week it is scattered in factories stores homes and other places. The body of Christ cannot be confined to just the four walls of a building.

Whether the local church is big or small it is very important to the Lord. Jesus said in Luke 12:32, "Fear not little flock for it is your fathers good pleasure to give you the kingdom". He also said, "where 2 or 3 are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst." Jesus believes our gathering together is so important that if only 2 or 3 are present He will be there. I have heard the expression, "the unseen guest," Well is He a guest? No He is the most faithful member of all, as the song says, "Jesus is always there".

Now let's notice what Christ wants to do for the Church. Ep. 5:26-27 "That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word. That He might present it to Himself a glorious church not having spot, or wrinkle or any such thing: but that it should be holy and without blemish." Christ wants the church to be holy. Ps. 93:5 says, "Holiness becometh thine house O Lord forever." Heb 12:14 says, "For without holiness no man shall see the Lord." Jesus was very displeased with what he saw in the Temple.

I thank God for the church and what it has ment to me. Most people find God in the church.

*Handels
Gretsch*

*Song writers
Singers and musicians
all with melody*

The word of God is taught by faithful teachers and preachers and many other kinds of faithful workers. We are all a part of this glorious church and that shall meet around the throne someday and sing the songs of zion like we have never sung them before. I have been privileged to hear some great singing but this will be a chrous of ten thousand times tenthousand and thousands of thousands. How many is that?

The Church is a mighty force in the world

Solomon in ch. 6:10 described the church. "Fair as the moon clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with Banners." Jesus said "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Illustr. Communion

Mal. 3:17 the prophet says, "And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in the day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him."

Is. 62:3 "Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God."

The marriage supper in glory

I'm so glad to be a part of this glorious church aren't you?

Long P 220

a glorious church

Illustr. Sis Goldsmith if true

The Church is not just a club or another social organization or just a group of people. The work of the church is serious business and it must be taken seriously. The church has the duty of preparing people to live under the new order in this world. It is not a place of entertainment or social gathering after that is over. The church has the duty of teaching, requiring men, women, boys and girls to be holy and pure. I think that is very important indeed, don't you?

The church is only a small part of the great body of Christ. To forsake the church is to forsake Christ. You cannot separate Christ and the Church.

Standing By Jesus

Scripture John 19:23-30

Text v. 23

"Now there stood by the cross of Jesus."

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3-22-89

Introduction

Less than a week ago the multitudes were praising Him. were were the people who should have stood by Him.

Where were those Jesus had healed. Bartimaeus, Lazarus, lame maimed halt Etc
The mob cried out crucify Him.
He had lost His popularity.

Who wanted to help Him carry His cross. A man was compelled to bear it.

Where were all the disciples.
Where was Judas
where was Peter Illustrate.

II. Let us look at those who stood by Jesus to the end.

Mary His mother. a faithful mother.
Mary's Sister.

Mary the wife of Cleophas
Almost nothing said about her# but she# was faithful

Mary Magdalene. The women Jesus had cast out 7 devils

John the Beloved.

Secret disciples : Joseph of Arimathea.
Nicodemus

III. Can I stand by the cross.

By Never being ashamed of Jesus.

By faithfulness to His church. Jesus gave Himself for it.

By determining in your own heart that you will go# all the way regardless of the cost.

There are great rewards for faithfulness

Mary Magdalene saw Him first after the resurrection

John received the revelation on the Isle of
Patmos

Mary saw Her son rise victorious.

Things to forget and things to remember. 147
8-29-82

Script. Philip. 3:13, 14 Mt. Nazorem
Severnmore 17-19-91 Ch. Prayer
meeting
Things to Forget. 6-15-88

1 fast failures. (Example Edison)
Remember the words of our Lord.
2 Cor. 12:9 "My grace is sufficient for
Thee, for my strength is made
perfect in weakness."
Ph 4:13 I can do all things through
Christ who strengtheneth me.

1 Cor 10:13 "Here hath no temptation
but such is common to
man, but God is faithful
who will not suffer you
to be tempted above that
which ye are able to bear,
but will with the temptation,
also make a way to escape,
that ye may be able to bear it."

2 Pet. 2:9 The Lord knoweth
how to deliver the godly
out of temptation

Forget grievances and slights
of others. Don't be a grievance
collector.

Remember

ph. 4: 4-9

and the God of peace will be
with you. *Think about the*
good things

II Things to remember (to praise
God)

1. The love of God.
(The song the love of God)
2. The blessings of being
a Christians
 - A. Guilt of sin taken
away.
 - B. Name written down in
the book of life.
3. Remember to pray and
be faithful
"Be thou faithful unto
death and I will give
thee a crown of life"
4. Remember the words of Jesus
"I will be with you
unto the end of the world"

4. Remember to keep our eyes on the goal. Illustration (as in basketball giving prize for race, there are many adversaries. the game of life.
5. Remember to say thankyou to God and people. Illustration Jesus and the ten lepers
6. Remember to show kindnesses to others
1. an encouraging word
 2. Words thought but unexpressed never accomplish much.
- like apples of Gold in pictures of silver

Read. a tithing testimony

A Tithing Testimony

Many years ago a lad of sixteen was obliged to leave home because his father was too poor to support him any longer. So he trudged away with all his worldly possessions in a bundle dangling from his hand resolving, as he journeyed, to set up in business as a soapmaker in New York.

When the country boy arrived in the big city, he found it hard to get work. Remembering the last words of his mother and also the godly advice given him by the captain of a canal boat, the youth dedicated his life to God, determining to return to his Maker an honest tithe of every dollar he earned.

So, when his first dollar came in, the young man sacredly dedicated ten cents of it to the Lord. This he continued to do. And the dollars rolled in! Soon this young man became partner in a soap business; and when his partner died a few years later, he became sole owner of the concern.

The prosperous businessman now instructed his bookkeeper to open an account with the Lord and to credit to it one tenth of all his income. The business grew miraculously. The honest proprietor now dedicated two-tenths of his earnings; and then three-tenths, four-tenths; and finally, five-tenths. It seemed as if his sales increased in exact proportion to his generosity, so that soon his brand of soap became a household word throughout the world.

The late William Colgate was this man whom God so singly prospered in return for his faithfulness to His Maker. While this story is not written with the object of advertising Colgate products, it is related because it illustrates so well the blessings that accompany the faithful payment of an honest tithe.

live more ⁷⁻¹²⁻⁹² Casting our care upon ^{us} ⁷⁸
Peter 5: 6-11 MT 78
V 7 Casting all your care P 150
upon him; for he careth for ^{you} ⁴⁸
you. ^{Illustration: man with load on his back}
^{getting into a wagon.} Song Be not dismayed what
er be tried God will take care
of you. Beneath His wings of
love abide, God will take
care of you. God will take
care of you through every
day of all the way, He will
take care of you, God will
take care of you.
The problems of unanswered prayer.
Song: answered yet.
^{David said} "What time I am afraid I will
put my trust in the Lord." ^{Ps}
I can do all things through
Christ which strengtheneth
me. Paul said
I ^{V 6} humble yourselves that he may
exalt you in due time.
God resisteth the proud, but
giveth grace to the humble.
V 5. Joseph
humility is of supreme importance
to God. The Lord chooses, chooses,
then He uses.

Peter says in Ch 3 a meek
a quiet spirit is of great
price. don't try to make a
show by wearing ^{making up} fancy clothes
and jewelry. these things don't
show real beauty but a humble
radiant spirit does. all the
outward adorning cannot make up for a lack
II You better watch ^{the hidden man} of the heart.
V Be sober, vigilant because
the devil will get you if
you don't.

1. Watch how you spend your
time.
 2. Watch what you feed your
mind. you are what you
eat.
 3. Watch your affections. ^{Love not the} world.
- III Resist V 9. and be steadfast
Be ye steadfast unmovable
always abounding in the
work of the Lord.

Be thou faithful until
death and I will give
thee a crown of life

IV v 10. The God of all grace
(after you have suffered awhile,
will make you perfect
stablish, strengthen, settle
you.

His grace is sufficient for thee.

Heb. 2:10. For it became
him, for whom are all things
and by whom are all things
in bringing many sons unto
glory, to make the captain
of their salvation perfect
through sufferings.

Heb. 5:9 and being made
perfect, he became the author
of eternal salvation unto
all them that obey him.

Quest. The crushing of the rose
is the making of a pearl.
Making pure gold.

The same afflictions are
accomplished in your brethren
that are in the world.

He'll understand and say well
done.

Whom the Lord chooses
He bruises, then He uses

M. F. May. Livermore 3-15-97
5-31-89 Trust and O'bey. M.T. 7-80

Script Reading. Proverbs 3:1-12

V 5 Trust in the Lord with
all their heart; and lean not
unto their own understanding
in all thy ways acknowledge
him and he shall direct thy
paths.

Intra. It is so good to
find someone we can
trust. always faithful,
always friendly, always
ready to show and help, always
ready to stay with us
through good times or bad.
One who always under-
stands one who knows and
shows us the way.
No other friend like Jesus.
Can we really trust him.
Song: "He never has failed me yet"

Collect.
Ps. 125:1 They that trust in
the Lord shall be as mount
Zion, which cannot be removed
but abideth forever.

as a hen covereth her
chicks. Boob of Ruth of moof
The wings of the almighty
are the strongest and safest of
all manied Boaz lineage of
Jesus.

Her son Obed, grandson
Issie, Greatgrandson David
the King.

as a shepherd with the
sheep. Ps 23
must follow shepherd to be safe.
Goes before

good pasture
still water

protects from dangers.

safe in the fold.

The Shepherd giveth his
life for the sheep.

Obeys Him

The little chicken can
run away from the hen
Jesus Judas.

The sheep can leave
the shepherd. Then there
is no protection.

Trust and obey for there's
no other way to be
happy in Jesus.

Song 313

The planting of the seed.

S.R. John 12:23-26

6-68

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Morgantown

May 24, 92

Intro.

This is the planting season

The farmers are selecting

the seed.

The seed must be planted on time

~~The seed must be planted on time~~

The Harvest is so important

It is the life of the world.

Without the sowing of the

seed starvation and death

The right kind of seed must

be sown. ^{Corn 2.80 lb, 56 lb to be}

^{not a bush} ^{hidgen grass} 156.80

A field left to itself will

only bring forth weeds

The lack of good seed sown

will bring destruction

and death.

B We are sowing everyday

1. Some of the harvest

today is the result of

poor seed.

2. We must sow in righteousness

If we don't sow to

that the honest of crime
greed, lawlessness and
murder need more workers to
saw in f.a.

III June sample. How to sow good seed.

A I must die, I must
carry my cross, I must
sacrifice. Death to self - for
brought victory.

IX. Del to self if you
wont to bring forth the
beautiful fruit.

Chit 13.3

beautiful fruit. Mt. 13:3
 Probable of the lower ⁵⁻¹⁵ ~~rock~~ ^{thorns} ~~world~~ ^{bird} good ground
 Continue sowing. Paul said, "I do daily"
 "I do it with the

'He that regardeth the
wind will not sow
nor the clouds shall
not reap.'

nor the clouds shall
not reap."

¶ The time to sow is now - (now is the accepted time
today is the day of salvation)

Jesus went everywhere
doing good even on the
cross.

VI V 26 If any man serve me
let him follow me.

Sowing in the morning
sowing seeds of kindness
sowing fruiting in the
sheaves. P. 719

P. 219

Greenmore
1-5-92 Noah and the ark. M.T. Prosser
Script. Genesis 6: 5-22 6-24-84
Lamenting missing home 2-89
Text v 8 Noah found grace in
the eyes of the Lord
Ch 7: 1 and the Lord said unto Noah
Come thou and all thy house into the ark.
Intro. We are having lots
of water but nothing
like the flood of Noah's
time. about 4000 years ago <sup>he lived
600 yrs
before flood</sup>
I The great majority of <sup>350
other</sup>
people were wrong
v 5 Thoughts and imagination
v 9. Noah was a just man
and perfect in his generations
and Noah walked with
God. " Best man on the whole
~~earth~~ earth
" The best thing that could
happen to us is like Noah
to find grace in the eyes
of the Lord.
III In Noah's time God gave
the warning and gave the
people 120 years to repent
spent 7 days in the ark before a
drop of water came

God shut the door

Noah was a preacher of
righteousness but had no
converts except his family

Important Characteristics of Noah.

IV, He had faith that God
would keep His word.

He worked at the job.

3 He never got weary of
well doing.

He spent a whole year in the ark.

V His faithfulness paid
off. His family were
all saved.

VI Because of his faithfulness
he inherited the whole earth

VII Noah's faith and obedience
preserved life on the earth

and he was our great
grandfather.

the next time the birth will
be destroyed by fire.
I don't want to be here
then.
2 Peter 3:12

as in the days of
Noah so shall it be
in the coming of Christ.
Come thou and all thy house
into the ark of
salvation through
Jesus Christ
Will Jesus find us
watching

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Our Great Mission 73 ④
Silvermore 3-8-92

Text: 1 Peter 2: 9 M.T. 1-76-75

"But ye are a chosen generation, 76
a royal priesthood, an holy 78
nation, a peculiar people; 355
that ye should shew forth the
praises of him who hath
called you out of darkness
into his marvellous light:

Intra God chose Abraham
and the children of Israel
to tell the message of the
true God. God worked through
them to prove the truth
of this.

I Each generation has its coll.
Illest. generations of Israel.
left Egypt = rejected
Entered Canon = accepted.
My generation
A. American youth
quies symbolizes
Jazz, Jitterbug Rock and Roll.

II an Holy nation
Jesus said. Be ye holy for I am holy.
America Christian nation
Freedom to worship
Dr. 7:14
of my people, which are called
by my name will humble...

III Royal Priesthood

1. priest. makes intercession
for the people.

Samuel, sacrifices - Body, soul,
affections, prayers, praise
and giving.

Elis sons, shines and shines evil.

God used Samuel because he was
faithful and obedient.

IV Peculiar people.

A. Different.

no other Gods

Love God and put him
first

Love God more than pleasure
money self-pleasure
property

Honors or fame.

T. V.

talk different
go to different
places.

~~money~~

Different from the world.
vain show

Keep the Lords day

Wright Illust. Bell. player - Billy Sunday.
Bros. Michael Toxaday
attended prayer meeting.

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Jesus
make
Why

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who
His

Conclusion.

We have a divine mission. God is depending on us. We must not fail or souls will be lost.

ambassadors. Witnesses
Jesus said, "Follow me and I will
make you fishers of men."
Why, to shew forth
the praises of Him
who has called us into
His marvelous light

Sunday.

The gain of Patient work.

Scripture Reading

Clonfert 55

Hebrews 12: 1-4.

Morgantown 64

Livermore 9-15-96 7-69

Text "set us men with patience
the race that is set before
us." 1/2

Ja. 1: 4. But let patients have perfect work.
Enter a heaven to gain and
a hell to shun.

this race is a life or death
proposition.
Ch. 11 tells of the great cloud of witnesses

Difficulties. The devil is
doing every thing to hinder
us

1. to get our eyes off the
goal.

A put material things above
spiritual.

2. to get impatient. Let someone
else do it.

How are we to be patient

1. In faith.

without faith it
is impossible to please
God.

A all things are possible

to him that believeth

Ex. Noah, 1204

David and Hezekiah

1. Define a Sentence

2. Name the kinds of sentences and define each of them.

3. Define the Subject of a sentence.

4. Define the Predicate of a sentence.

5. Define the Direct Object.

6. What do we mean by natural order, inverted order?

7. What is a modifier?

8. What is a Clause?

9. What is a Phrase?

2. In works. They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.
Gal. 6-9 be not weary in well doing for in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not. Jesus.

3. In love. 1 Cor. 13

Love never faileth.
God so loved the world He gave

4. In obedience, Better than sacrifice

If ye be willing and obedient
 ye shall eat the good of the land.

Saul failed to obey.

Paul: "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision."
 It failed to be obedient

5. In keeping our eyes on
the goal.
1 Peter 3-9

v 4 an inheritance incomparable
reserved in heaven for you.

Conclusion.
Look not behind thee
look not to the right hand
nor to the left. be patient
unto the coming of the
lord. The prize of the
high calling in Christ is
just ahead.

The tails of the road will
seem nothing when we
get to the end of the way.
Well done thou good and
faithful servant

188 Well work till
Jesus comes.

Cast Thy bread upon
the water
sang by Dona Belle Adams

Study of Nouns

1. Define a Noun.
2. Name and define the kinds of Nouns.
3. Name and define the kinds of Number.
4. Define Gender.
5. Name and define the kinds of Gender.
6. Define Case.
7. ##### Name the kinds of Case.

Peace beyond Understanding

mt. 1-23-83

last phil. 4: 1-13.

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text v 7 The peace of God,
which passeth all understanding,
shall keep your hearts and minds
through Christ Jesus.

Intro. God wants us to have
peace. He is the prince of
peace. Without Him there
is no peace. "There is no
peace saith my God to the
wicked."

Ps 119: 165 "Great peace have they
which love thy law: and
nothing shall offend them."

Is. 26: 3, 4.
Thou wilt keep him in
perfect peace whose mind is
stayed on thee because
he trusteth in thee, trust
ye in the Lord forever, for
in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting
strength.

God gives us peace when
we repent and believe the
gospel. but there must
be a daily walk with
God to maintain this peace.
Paul said to the Phil. stand
fast in the Lord.

How to stand fast and have
peace

1. V. 4 Rejoice in the Lord
always. why. "The Lord
is at hand."

2 V. 6 don't worry about
everything. "Take your burdens
to the Lord and leave them
there. "with thanksgiving."

3 Think the right kind
of thoughts.

V. 8.

4. 13 I can do all things
through Christ which strengthen
me.

5. It's easy to be fearful
Disciples on the Sea of
Galilee

perfect love casteth out
fear.

Trust in the Lord with
all thine heart and lean
not unto thine own under-
standing. In all thy ways
acknowledge Him and He shall
direct thy paths.

Christ's Standard of Greatness

MT-4-76
M.T. 9-72

Script. Matthew 20
Text V. 27

Haure
Tony
Marathon
Belcher
Paul
Gris
Don
Mark

Intro. People are always seeking to be great. Self seeking is out of place in the Christian. Men believe greatness is getting others to serve ~~you~~ ^{them}. Jesus taught you must serve others. Washington and the corporal

Men believe fortune is what you can gain and hold on to. Jesus taught what we gain and hold we lose. What we give away we have.

Illust. Poor beggar guest of honor in heaven with Abraham. 3 men point to Kings and presidents for greatness.

Jesus pointed to a little child. Who is the greatest

Teachers expect their pupils to learn from books. Jesus. Watch his pupils pay

4 Kings of earth sit on
throngs of splendor, royal
robes, scepters of gold,
Crowns of precious jewels.
Jesus, accepted a ^{wooden} cross
for a throne, a reed for a
scepter, Thorns for a
Crown, and hung in
shame and nakedness before
the crowd.

5 Mighty men of earth seek
safety in guards and forts.
Jesus spent nights in
the desert, ate with publicans
and sinners, and in homes of
the poor. Jesus guaranteed
His life by dying.

Conclusion.
Who was right. Jesus
or others.

What has become of the
palace where Herod the King
lived. Where is the crown
Cassius wore?

Where are the Roman legions?
upon which Pilot depended?
Who stands in respect
when the name of any
of the teachers who
contradicted Jesus is spoken?

On the other hand
we find ^{millions} worship the
name of Jesus.

His throne is secure
His scepter strong
His crown untarnished.

Jesus way of greatness
no one is great unless good
no one great unless useful
no one great unless unselfish
no one great unless Christlike