

**HIS CHURCH**  
**Matthew 16:13-19**  
**June 3/4, 2023**

*ekklēsia* - church/assembly

*“For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst.” - Matthew 18:20 (NASB95)*

*synagō* - gathered

God can show up in a \_\_\_\_\_, but He has  
\_\_\_\_\_ His church

We come to church because it was designed for \_\_\_\_\_

The church is the place that tells us \_\_\_\_\_

We come to church because we \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus  
is \_\_\_\_\_

**Three Parts of the Confession:**

1. “You are the Christ...” - Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_
2. “...the Son of...” - declares Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_
3. “...living God.” - the \_\_\_\_\_ God

*Hear what the Lord says to you, people of Israel. This is what the Lord says: “Do not learn the ways of the nations or be terrified by signs in the heavens, though the nations are terrified by them. For the practices of the peoples are worthless; they cut a tree out of the forest, and a craftsman shapes it with his chisel. They adorn it with silver and gold; they fasten it with hammer and nails so it will not totter. Like a scarecrow in a cucumber field, their idols cannot speak; they must be carried because they cannot walk. Do not fear them; they can do no harm nor can they do any good.” ...But the Lord is the true God; he is the living God, the eternal King  
- Jeremiah 10:1-5,10 (NIV)*

We come to church to be in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the  
\_\_\_\_\_

*But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.  
- Psalm 22:3 (KJV)*

Christianity is meant for \_\_\_\_\_

Peter: *petros* - a rock  
Rock: *petra* - giant stone, foundation

*“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock (petra). - Matthew 7:24 (NIV)*

We come to church because Christ \_\_\_\_\_ it

Jesus claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the church

Christians are the \_\_\_\_\_ of His church

We come to church because \_\_\_\_\_ has a  
unique \_\_\_\_\_

We come to church because it is a place of \_\_\_\_\_

**The Doors of the Kingdom of Heaven:**  
**Acts 2:38,39** - opened to the Jewish people  
**Acts 10:34-44** - opened to the Gentiles