

Matthew 28:18-20

Acts 1:8

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH

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WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH?

The purpose of the church is to bring the <u>lost</u> to a <u>personal</u> relationship with Christ Jesus and to <u>prepare</u> its people for the second coming of Christ.



MATTHEW 20:25-28 (NKJV)

25 But Jesus called them to Himself and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. 26 Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant. 27 And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave – 28 just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."



APOSTLE

A Roman Word

An Apostle does nothing but <u>serve</u>.



A Servant Church - The attitude or practice of a church whose avowed purpose is to serve the world



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Attitude – A settled way of <u>thinking</u> or <u>feeling</u> about someone or something that is <u>reflected</u> in that person's behavior. (Actions)



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Practices - Activities or skills repeatedly or regularly done to <u>improve</u> one's proficiency.



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Avowed - Asserted, admitted, and/or stated publicly



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Purpose – The reason for which something is done or created. The reason something <u>exists</u>.



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ACTS 1:8 (NKJV)

But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."



THE SERVANT CHURCH EMPOWERS

"...All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth..." "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you;..."

1 Peter 4:10 (NKJV) As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God

1 Peter 4:10 (NLT) God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.



THE SERVANT CHURCH TRAINS

"....Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,...."

"...you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth..."



THE SERVANT CHURCH HEALS & FORGIVES

"...baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..."



THE SERVANT CHURCH LOVES

"...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.' Amen."



WHAT DID JESUS COMMAND US TO DO?

Matthew 22:37-39 (NKJV) 37 Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. 38 This is the first and great commandment. 39 And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."



THE SERVANT CHURCH

"Am I loving God with everything I have and all I am?"

"Am I loving my neighbor with everything I have and all I am?"

