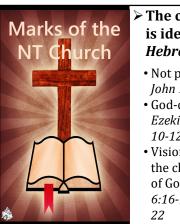


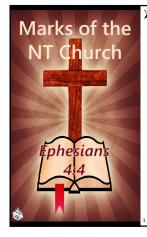
"I Am A Member Of The Church Of Christ Because ..."

It Bears The Marks Of The New Testament Church (Part 1)



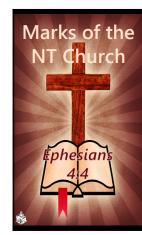
The church of Christ is identifiable, Hebrews 12:22-23

- Not physical marks, John 18:36
- God-defined marks, Ezekiel 40:2-5; 43:4-7, 10-12 (37:25-28)
- Visionary depiction of the church, the temple of God, *2 Corinthians 6:16-18; Ephesians 2:19-*

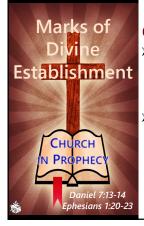


Contrast with this denominational mindset:

- "A passion for God"
- "A preoccupation with prayer"
 "The presence of true
- community""The *priority* of global
- outreach" • "A *practice* of equipping
- believers" • "The *proliferation* of lay servants and ministers"
 - ("The Marks of a New Testament church ... Len Woods

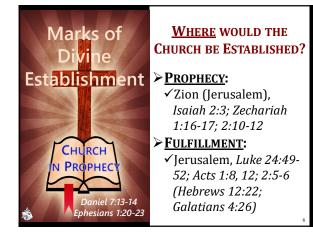


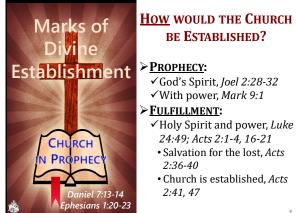
The church of Christ is not a denomination built by men! *Matthew 16:18*



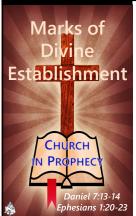
WHEN WOULD THE CHURCH BE ESTABLISHED?

- ≻<u>Prophecy</u>:
 - ✓ In the latter days, Isaiah 2:2 (Micah 4:1-3)
 - ✓ In the days of the kings of Rome, *Daniel 2:28-45*
- ≻<u>Fulfillment</u>:
 - ✓ Roman empire, *Luke 3:1; Mark 1:14-15*
 - ✓ Lifetime of those people, Mark 9:1; Luke 24:44-47
 - ✓ Pentecost, *Acts 1:6-8; 2:1-4*✓ The last days, *Hebrews 1:2;*
 - 1 Peter 1:20 (Acts 2:17)



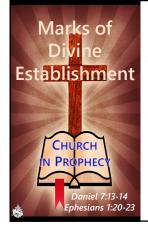


- ✓ God's Spirit, *Joel 2:28-32*
- 24:49; Acts 2:1-4, 16-21



Isaiah 2:2, Now it shall come to pass in **the latter days** that the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established on the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow to it.

Isaiah 2:3, Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to **the house of the God** of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, and we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.



Acts 2:47, And the Lord added to the **church** daily those who were being saved.