WHAT IS THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Term "church of Christ" found only one time in scripture (plural form)

> The churches of Christ greet you. Romans 16:16 (p 1309)



Acts 2:47 (p 1255) "the church" Acts 9:2 (p 1264) "the Way" 1 Corinthians 1:2 (p 1310) "of God" 1 Thess. 1:1 (p 1356) "church of..." 1 Timothy 3:15 (p 1363) "House" Hebrews 12:23 (p 1384) "Firstborn" Revelation 21:9 (p 1424) "Bride"



THE NAME <u>CHURCH</u> <u>OF</u> <u>CHRIST</u> IS FITTING BECAUSE

- He built it Matthew 16:18 (p 1131)
- He died for it Eph. 5:25 (p 1346)
- He bought it Acts 20:28 (p 1281)
- He is HEAD Eph. 5:23 (p 1346)
- He is HUSBAND Eph. 5:25 (p 1346)
- He is LORD Acts 2:36 (p 1254



- Prophesied Isaiah 2:2-3; Daniel 2
- Promised Matthew 16:13-19
- Perfected Acts 2
- Propagated Acts, Epistles

THE MANIFOLD WISDOM OF GOD MIGHT BE MADE **KNOWN BY THE CHURCH EPHESIANS 3:10 (P 1344)**



- All Protestant denominations are less than 500 years old.
- In 1492 you could not be a Lutheran, Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal, Mormon, Pentecostal, Nazarene, Presbyterian, or any other kind of denomination!

WHAT ABOUT ALEXANDER CAMPBELL?



 Did Alexander Campbell start the Church of Christ?

> The church of Christ existed before Campbell was born; before he came to America.

Glasgow, Scotland (1772 – 1782)

BEGINNING

Edinburgh, Scotland (1798)

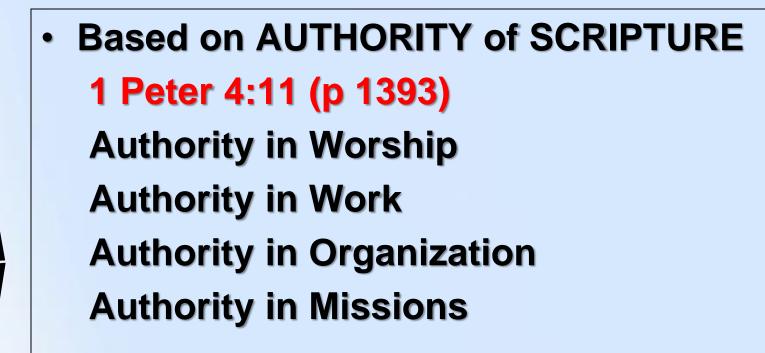
Tubermore, Scotland (1807)

Tombstone of William Rogers at Cane Ridge Meeting House, Paris, Kentucky



William Rogers Born in Campbell Co., VA. July 7, 1784 **Removed With His Father** To Caine Ridge, Bourbon Co., Apr. 1798 **United With The Church Of Christ** At Caine Ridge In 1807 Died Feb.. 15, 1862 In The 78th Year Of His Age

11 years before Alexander Campbell came to America Alexander Campbell was only 19 years old





- How do I find MY TRUCK?
- IDENTIFYING MARKS

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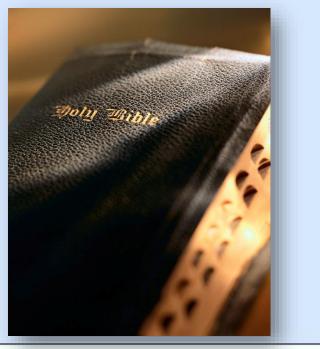


- How do I find the church of the New Testament?
- THE IDENTIFYING MARKS

NAME BEGINNING

ORGANIZATION WORSHIP

MISSION SALVATION





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