



# NT Church Movement Ministry's 6TH ANNUAL Rediscovering the Holy Scriptures Disciples Reformation Conference

Creating students of the Holy Scriptures around the world!  
*Teaching individuals how to read, what to read, sharing wisdom, and revealing mysteries!*



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### What Does God Want?

***“Understanding your Purpose as a True Disciple of JESUS CHRIST”***

# Colors & Meanings seen in Texts

- **Purple** – Names of God, Jesus, Holy Ghost, Royalty, etc.
- **Blue** – Spiritual Truths of GOD and Heaven
- **Orange** - Actions or activities that Disciples should "DO"
- **Red** – Forbidden thoughts, imaginations, actions, behaviors
- **Green** – Names of disciples, saints, apostles, etc.
- **Pink** – A choice to be made (must choose, optional)
- **Yellow** – Highlighted for emphasis



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# Overall Summary



- **Opening Seminar**
- **What Does God Want**
- **Discipleship Overview**

# Opening Overview



- **Why this Conference?**
- **Greek Definitions to Key Discipleship Words**
- **Disciples Forbade to Have or Read the Holy Scriptures**
- **We must unlearn what we have learned**



# Why This Conference



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# Why This Conference?

- **Are you prepared to meet JESUS CHRIST?**
- **Do you know “How-To” prepare?**
- **Discipleship is the process of preparing for the LORD’s Return**
- **Once you start walking as a true disciple, you will be equipped to make disciples**

# Why This Conference?

- **Questions to be considered and answered:**
  - Have we **changed** as an individual? Have others **changed**?
  - Did “WE” (*Individually or collectively as the Organized Church*) prepare individuals to live alone and die alone as we saw during the Covid pandemic?
- **Personal Observations through the Holy Ghost:**
  - **Organized Christian Religion** is primarily focused on the **growth of the organization**
  - **JESUS** focused on the **growth of the individual**
- **Purpose of the NT Church Movement and this Conference:**
  - **Encourage** the **Growth** of individuals who have professed a hope in **JESUS CHRIST!**
  - Teaching individuals **“HOW-TO”** read and study the **NT Holy Scriptures** of the **New Covenant** in **JESUS’ blood** so they can **experience transformation** and be prepared for the **LORD’s soon return!**

# Foundation Reset (Expectation Set)



This is **not** about **debating** the **merits** of the **Organized Christian Church**

- I personally **do not** have an opinion **for** or **against** **Organized Churches**
  - They can be **great** and **powerful** in the **Kingdom of GOD**, If they **make disciples** and **teach** the **NT Holy Scriptures** in their entirety and in agreement with the **Holy Spirit**
  - However, they can be **deceiving**, **seducing**, and **destructive** to **those they** are leading if they **replace** the **Holy Scriptures** with their **own philosophical, political, economic, social, or other doctrines**

This is about **awakening** individuals to the NT Scriptural Commandments for them to become **Disciples** (**G3101, 3101. *mathetes, math-ay-tes'*; from G3129; a learner, i.e. pupil:--disciple**)

- **JESUS** says that **those** who will **follow Him** **must** “**deny**” **themselves**, **take up** their “**cross**” and “**follow**” **Him** (*St. Matt. 16:24-26*)
- **Peter** **commanded** **newborn babes** to **desire** (love, seek) the **sincere** **milk** of **GOD's Word** so **they** can **grow** (*1 Pet. 2:1-2*)





# Focused on Your Growth

The teachings provided in this conference are to teach and equip you to read, study, and meditate on the Scriptures of the NT Covenant established in JESUS' blood that ye might be washed and cleansed by the WORD of GOD! Also, "How-To" be led by the Holy Spirit!

Those who profess JESUS CHRIST were commanded to be transformed by the renewing of their mind through the WORDs that JESUS CHRIST sent through the Holy Apostles Whom he had chosen. (Acts 1:1-2)

1. The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,
2. Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:



# Conference's Objectives

1. **Help those** who **profess** to **know** and **follow** JESUS CHRIST to begin to **earnestly read, study, and search** the Holy Scriptures, that **they** may begin to **grow** as the **LORD's Disciples** (*St. John 5:39; Acts 11:17*)
2. **Encourage Disciples** to "**desire** the **sincere** **milk** of **God's Word** so **they** **might grow!**" (*1 Peter 2:2*)
3. **Help Disciples** to **read** and **study** the Scriptures through a **new lens** (*2 Tim. 2:15*)
4. **Encourage Disciples** to **do** **critical thinking (meditation)** about **all** the **Words** in the "**key**" Scriptures in the **pursuit of following** Jesus Christ (*2 Pet. 1:19-21*)
5. **Exhort Disciples** to **obtain** **knowledge** of the **coming eternal judgment** through **reading** the Holy Scriptures so **they** can **prepare** for **Jesus' return** as **wise Virgins!** (*St Matt. 25:1-13; Rev. 21:6-8; 22:14-15*)



# Greek Definitions to Key Discipleship Words

# Greek Definition's of Key Words

- It is critical that Disciples know and use the original definitions of the words that God gave to the Apostle writers of the NT Scriptures
  - **The Word of God is eternal** and **never changes** (*Psa. 119:89, 160; 1 Pet. 1:25; St. Mat. 24:35; St. Mark 13:31; St. Luke 21:33; 2 Tim. 3:16-17*)
  - **Scriptures are not open to private interpretations of individuals** (*2 Pet. 1:20-21*)
  - **Many translations have perverted the true meanings** of the **Words given by the Holy Ghost** through the Apostles
  - **The Greek language was chosen by God** for the **NT Writings**
  - **Greek language is one of the most expressive** if not the most expressive languages in the world next to Hebrew
  - Many religious leaders have **exclude key discipleship words from their teachings**
  - **Having the true definitions** from the original language **will enable disciples to truly understand** and **follow** God's NT Commandments so **they can walk upright and please Him**

# Greek Definition's of Key Words

## • Disciple

- 3101. mathetes, math-ay-tes'; from G3129; a learner, i.e. pupil:--disciple.

## • Repent

- 3340. metanoeo, met-an-o-eh'-o; from G3326 and G3539; to think differently or afterwards, i.e. reconsider (mor. feel compunction):--repent.

## • Sanctify

- 37. hagiazō, hag-ee-ad'-zo; from G40; to make holy, i.e. (cer.) purify or consecrate; (mentally) to venerate:--hallow, be holy, sanctify.

## • Sanctification

- 38. hagiasmos, hag-ee-as-mos'; from G37; prop. purification, i.e. (the state) purity; concr. (by Hebr.) a purifier:--holiness, sanctification.

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## • Holy & Saint (same word)

- 40. **hagios**, hag'-ee-os; from hagos (an awful thing) [comp. G53, H2282]; sacred (phys. pure, mor. blameless or religious, cer. consecrated):--(most) holy (one, thing), saint.

## • Perfect

- 5046. **teleios**, tel'-i-os; from G5056; complete (in various applications of labor, growth, mental and moral character, etc.); neut. (as noun, with G3588) completeness:--of full age, man, perfect.

# Greek Definition's of Key Words

## • Pure

- 2513. **katharos**, kath-ar-os'; of uncert. affin.; **clean** (lit. or fig.):--**clean**, **clear**, **pure**.

## • Purify

- 48. **hagnizo**, hag-nid'-zo; from G53; **to make clean**, i.e. (fig.) **sanctify** (cer. or mor.):--**purity** (self).

## • Iniquity

- 458. **anomia**, an-om-ee'-ah; from G459; **illegality**, i.e. **violation of law** or (gen.) **wickedness**:--**iniquity**, X **transgress** (**-ion** of) **the law**, **unrighteousness**.

## • Please

- 700. **aresko**, ar-es'-ko; prob. from G142 (through the idea of exciting emotion); **to be agreeable** (or by impl. **to seek to be so**):--**please**.

# Definition of Church

“Why **two definitions** of **CHURCH** is used in this conference and my book? – because the **Ekklesia** (*the Greek word used in the NT for Church*) is **Scripturally** defined as the **Body** of **JESUS CHRIST** and it is **good** if it **follows CHRIST’s will!** (See page 411 in book, “Paul, The Moses of the New Testament Church”)

1. **NT Church** – is when **men** follow the Scriptural Patterns that define the **Church** as recorded in the **Book of Acts** and **throughout the NT Apostles’ writings (27 books)**. The **NT Church** consists of all the **DISCIPLES** who are the **living stones**, the Bride of **JESUS CHRIST**, that was birthed by the **HOLY GHOST** on the Day of Pentecost
2. **Organized Church** (*also Institutional, Christian, Religious, etc.*) – is when **men replace** the **Holy Scriptures** and the **interpretations given** by the **Holy Spirit** (the Holy Ghost) with **their own system of beliefs, traditions, and dogma.**



# Scriptural Definition of the Heart



- **It is critical that a Disciple define the heart based on Scriptures**
  - Many individuals think the heart is where they based their decisions on emotional and learned behavior
  - However the Scriptures provide us a true definition of what constitutes the Heart
  - **Understanding what the heart will guide individuals to know “How-To” please GOD;**
    - Disciples were given the commandment to love the LORD our GOD with all heart
    - It is hard if not impossible to love GOD with all our heart if we lack the clearest scriptural understanding

# Scriptural Definition of the Heart

## Genesis 6:5-9 provides the best definition of the Heart in the Scriptures

5. And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.
6. And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.
7. And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.
8. But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.
9. These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.

**Man's heart** in Scriptures = the **Sum** of the thoughts of his imagination



# Disciples Forbade to Have or Read the Holy Scriptures

# Christianity Forbade Laity to Read

1. Decree of the Council of Toulouse (1229 C.E.): "We **prohibit** also **that the laity should be permitted** to have the books of the Old or New Testament; but we **most strictly forbid** their **having any translation** of these books."
2. Ruling of the Council of Tarragona of 1234 C.E: "**No one may possess** the books of the Old and New Testaments in the **Romance language**, and **if anyone possesses them he must turn them over** to the **local bishop** within eight days after promulgation of this decree, so that **they may be burned...**"

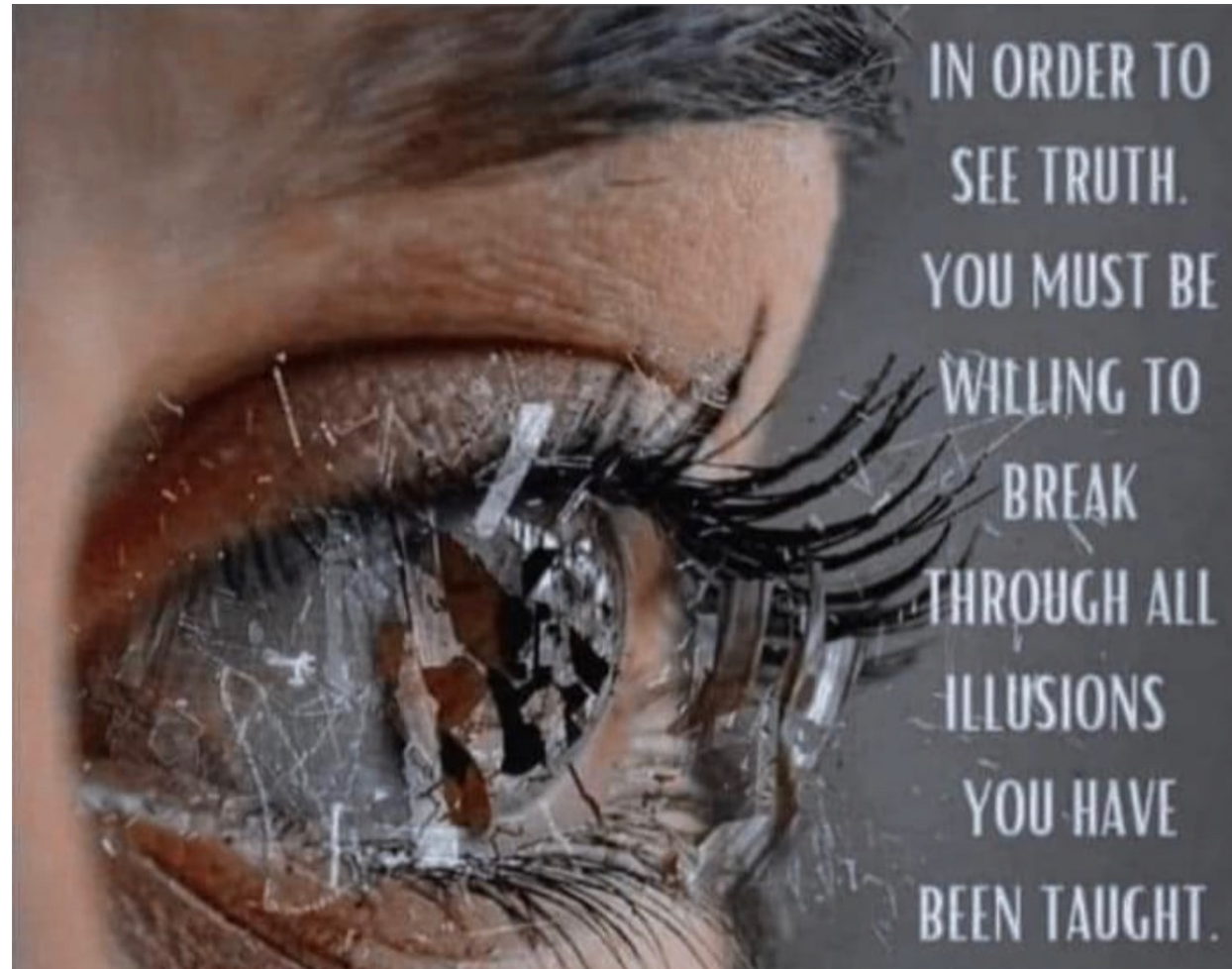
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- 3. Proclamations at the Ecumenical Council of Constance in 1415 C.E.: Oxford professor, and theologian John Wycliffe, was the first (1380 C.E.) to translate the New Testament into **English** to "...helpeth Christian men to study the Gospel in that tongue in which they know best Christ's sentence." For this "heresy" Wycliffe was posthumously condemned by Arundel, the archbishop of Canterbury. By the Council's decree "Wycliffe's bones were exhumed and publicly burned and the ashes were thrown into the Swift River."**
- 4. Fate of William Tyndale in 1536 C.E.: William Tyndale was burned at the stake for translating the Bible into **English**. According to Tyndale, the Church forbid owning or reading the Bible to control and restrict the teachings and to enhance their own power and importance.**



# We Must Unlearn what we have Learned

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# Summary of Opening Overview



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# What Does God Want?

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- 1. Repentance** (*Think Differently*)
- 2. Faith** (*God requires this first*)
- 3. Die to Self** (*Surrender*)
- 4. Growth** (*through reading*)
- 5. Transformation** (*through renewing thoughts of imagination*)
- 6. Walking with JESUS** (*more important than worship*)
- 7. Pleasing & Knowing God** (*required for Salvation*)

# 1. Repentance *(Think Differently)*

**You cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven without Repentance**

1. **Repent** – Greek word *metanoēō* which means to “**think differently**”
2. **John taught repentance** (*St. Matthew 3:1-2*)
  1. In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea,
  2. And saying, **Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.**

# 1. Repentance *(Continued)*

## 4. Jesus commanded repentance *(St. Matt. 4:17)*

17. From that time **Jesus** began to **preach**, and to say, **Repent**: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

## 5. Peter taught repentance *(Acts 2:37-38)*

37. Now when **they** heard this, **they** were pricked in **their heart**, and said unto **Peter** and to the rest of the **apostles**, **Men** and **brethren**, **what** shall we do?

38. Then **Peter** said unto **them**, **Repent**, and be baptized every one of you in the **name** of **Jesus Christ** for the **remission of sins**, and **ye shall receive** the gift of the **Holy Ghost**.

# 1. Repentance *(Continued)*

6. **Jesus** commanded **repentance** to the Seven Churches of Asia (*Rev 2:5, 16, 21-22*)
5. (Ephesus) **Remember** therefore from whence **thou art fallen**, and **repent**, and **do the first works**; or else **I will come** unto **thee quickly**, and **will remove thy** candlestick **out of his** place, **except thou repent**.
16. (Pergamos) **Repent**; or **else I will come** unto **thee quickly**, and **will fight against them** with the **sword of my mouth**.
21. (Thyatira) And **I** gave **her** space to **repent** of **her fornication**; and **she repented not**.
22. (Thyatira) Behold, **I will cast her into a bed**, and **them that commit adultery** with **her** into great **tribulation**, except **they repent** of **their deeds**.

# 1. Repentance *(Continued)*

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3. (Sardis) Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.
18. (Laodiceans) 18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.
19. (Laodiceans) 19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

## 2. Faith *(God requires this first)*

**Faith** is first and is required to come to God

1. Paul teaches that we must have **faith** in GOD first *(Heb. 11:6)*

6. But **without faith** it is **impossible to please him**: for **he** that **cometh** to God **must believe that he is**, and **that he** is a **rewarder of them** that **diligently seek him**.

2. **Faith** Required to be saved *(Rom. 10:9-10)*

9. That if **thou** shalt confess with **thy** mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in **thine** heart that God hath raised him from the dead, **thou** shalt be saved.

10. For with the heart **man believeth** unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

## 2. Faith *(God requires this first)*

### 3. The Just shall Live by Faith *(Rom. 1:17; Gal 3:11; Heb 10:38-39)*

17. *(Romans)* For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

11. *(Galatians)* But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.

38. *(Hebrews)* Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

39. *(Hebrews)* But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.





## 2. Faith (Con't)

### 4. Faith without Work is Dead (*Jam. 2:20-26*)

20. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that **faith** without works is dead?

21. Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

22. Seest thou how **faith** wrought with his works, and by works was **faith** made perfect?

23. And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.

24. Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by **faith** only.

25. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way?

26. For as the body without the spirit is dead, so **faith** without works is dead also.

## 3. Die To Self (Surrender)

**True Disciple must die to themselves if they are to follow JESUS**

**1. True Discipleship requires an individual to die to themselves (*St. Matt. 16:24-26*)**

**24. Then said Jesus unto his disciples, if any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.**

**25. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.**

**26. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?**

## 3. Die To Self (Surrender)

### 2. We need to become a living sacrifice to follow JESUS (Romans 12:1-2)

1. I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
2. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

## 4. Growth

**Peter commanded that we read GOD's WORD to GROW**

### ***2 Peter 2:1-2***

- 1. Wherefore laying aside all malice (wickedness), and all guile (deceit), and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,**
- 2. As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the WORD, that ye may GROW thereby:**

## 4. Growth *(by becoming a Disciple, a Student)*



### JESUS sent the Word to Wash and Cleanse His Bride, the Church *(the Ekklesia)* *(Eph 5:25-32)*

25. Husbands, love your wives, even as CHRIST also loved the church, and gave Himself for it;
26. That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the WORD,
27. 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.
28. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.
29. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:
30. For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.
31. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.
32. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

## 5. Transformation

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**Those who do not wash in the WORD are “Dirty Babies” who will GROW UP to be “Filthy Brides” unprepared for the LORD’s return!**

## 5. Transformation (Con't)

2. We need to become transformed by the renewing of mind through the reading and studying of the Word of GOD (*Romans 12:1-2*)

1. I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
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## 6. Walking with JESUS

We were called to focus on **WALKING**; but many focus on **WORSHIP**

1. Paul primary purpose for writing was to teach us how to WALK with JESUS (*as JESUS called his followers to do during His earthly ministry*) (1 Thess. 4:1-4)
  1. Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more.
  2. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.
  3. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:
  4. That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;



## 6. Walking with JESUS (Con't)

### 2. Worship is Vain if we are defiled if we are filled with evil thoughts (St. Matt. 15:7-9, 16-19)

7. Ye **hypocrites**, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,
8. This **people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth**, and **honoureth me with their lips**; but their **heart** is far from me.
9. But in **vain** they do **worship me**, **teaching** for **doctrines** the **commandments of men**.
17. Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?
18. But **those things which proceed out of the mouth** come forth **from the heart**; and **they defile** the **man**.
19. **For out of the heart** proceed **evil thoughts**, **murders**, **adulteries**, **fornications**, **thefts**, **false witness**, **blasphemies**:
20. **These are the things** which **defile** a **man**: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.

## 6. Walking with JESUS (Con't)

### 3. Holy Spirit will not dwell in an unclean (defiled) temple of a person's body (1 Cor. 3:16-17)

16. **Know** ye **not** that ye **are** the **temple** of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth **in** you?
17. If any man **defile** the **temple** of God, **him** shall God **destroy**; for the **temple** of God is **holy**, which **temple** ye **are**.
18. Let **no** man **deceive** himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him **become** a **fool**, that he may be **wise**.
19. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness.,

## 6. Walking with JESUS (Con't)

### 4. Paul teaches that we are called to Walk and Love JESUS (Eph 5:1-5)

1. Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;
2. And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.
3. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;
4. Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.
5. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the **kingdom of Christ and of God.**

## 6. Walking with JESUS (Con't)

### 5. Paul teaches that we are called to Walk in the Spirit (Gal. 5:16-21)

16. This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and **ye shall not fulfil** the lust of the flesh.
17. For the **flesh lusteth** against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: **so that ye cannot do** the things that **ye would**.
18. **But if ye be led** of the Spirit, **ye are not** under the law.
19. **Now the works** of the **flesh** are **manifest**, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
20. Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
21. Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, **that they which do such things shall not inherit** the kingdom of God.

# 7. Please & Know GOD

Disciples are called to please and know GOD that JESUS might know them

1. Paul reveals that Walking with JESUS is how we Please the Father  
(1 Thess. 4:1-2)

1. Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more.
2. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.

# 7. Please & Know GOD *(Con't)*

## 2. Our Father knows us when we Love him *(1 Cor. 8:1-3)*

1. Now as touching things offered unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth.
2. And if any man think that he knoweth any thing, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know.
3. But if any man love God, the same is known of him.

## 3. Enoch pleased GOD and was translated that he should not see death *(Heb. 11:5)*

5. By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

# What Does God Want Summary

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# Discipleship Overview



- **Key Discipleship Scriptures**
- **Discipleship Scriptural Pattern**
- **Had to wait on the Holy Ghost**
- **Origins of the Modern Christian Church**
- **Saint Augustine, Philosophical Father of the Modern Christian Church**
- **Platonic Traditions**
- **Scriptures vs. Man's Doctrines**
- **Rediscover the Holy Scriptures**
- **Takeaways**





# Key Scriptures of Discipleship

**(2 Peter 2:1-2)** (1) Wherefore **laying aside** all **malice** (wickedness), and all **guile** (deceit), and **hypocrisies**, and **envies**, and all **evil speakings**, (2) As **newborn babes**, **desire** the **sincere milk** of the **WORD**, that **ye** may **GROW** **thereby**:

**(1 Thess. 4:1-4)** (1) Furthermore then **we beseech you**, brethren, and **exhort you** by the **LORD JESUS**, that as **ye have received of us how ye ought to walk** and to **please GOD**, so **YE** would **abound more and more**. (2) For **ye** know what **commandments** we **gave you** by the **LORD JESUS**. (3) For **this is the will of GOD**, even **your sanctification**, that **ye** should **abstain from fornication**: (4) That **every one of you** should **know how to possess his vessel** in **sanctification** and **honour**; (5) **not** in the **lust of concupiscence**, even as the **Gentiles** which **know not GOD**:

# Discipleship Scriptural Pattern

1. **Disciples** were called to **FEED THEMSELVES** by **DESIRING** the **SINCERE MILK** of **GOD's WORD**
2. Gentile Disciples were given the **Commandments by the Apostles** whom **JESUS CHRIST** had **CHOSEN** (like **Paul, Peter, James, John, etc.**) (**Acts 1:1-2**)
  - a) Were **NEVER** commanded to **keep Moses Law** or to **keep the Holy Days** (**Col 2:16-21, Acts 15**)
  - b) Early Gentile Disciples **DID NOT HAVE** the **texts of the OT LAW** (Torah and the prophets)
  - c) Early Gentile Disciples **READ** and **STUDIED** **LETTERS** (Epistles) **written** by the Apostles
    - a) The **APOSTLES' LETTERS** **CONTAINED** the **COMMANDMENTS** of the **NT Church** **SENT** by **JESUS CHRIST** through the **HOLY GHOST**
    - b) **COMMANDMENTS** could **NOT** be **GIVEN**, until **AFTER** the **HOLY GHOST** was **SENT** on **DAY** of **PENTCOST** (**St. John 16:7-12; Acts 1:4-8, 2:1-21**)

**Acts 1:2 UNTIL** the **DAY** in which **HE (JESUS)** was **TAKEN UP, AFTER** that **HE THROUGH** the **HOLY GHOST** had **GIVEN** **COMMANDMENTS** unto **the APOSTLES** **WHOM HE HAD CHOSEN**

# Had to wait on the HOLY GHOST

**JESUS** did **not** send commandments **during** His earthly Ministry

St. John 16:7, 11-12

7. Nevertheless **I** tell **you** the **truth**; It is **expedient** for **you** that **I go away**: for if **I go not away**, the **comforter will not come** unto **you**; but if **I depart**, **I will send Him** unto **you**.
  12. **I** have **yet** many things to say unto **you**, **but ye cannot bear them now**.
  13. Howbeit when **He**, the **SPIRIT** of **Truth**, is **COME**, **He will guide you into all truth**: for **He** shall **not** speak of **Himself**; but whatsoever **He** shall hear, that shall **he speak**: and **he will show you things to come**.
- **NT Commandments** could **not** **be given** until **AFTER** the **HOLY GHOST came** on the Day of Pentecost

# Origins of the Modern Christian Church

**Establishment of Modern Church after JESUS died was difficult for following three (3) main reasons based on this article.**

*(Quoted from the University of Wyoming (UW) Religion Today: How Constantine Created the Christian Church, February 4, 2015)*

1. “First, travel and communication were difficult at that time”
2. “Second, there was **little agreement about Christianity’s beliefs and teachings**, the nature of Jesus and God, what writings were sacred, or even how to worship.”
3. “Third, **imperial persecutions of Christians** happened every few decades.”
  - a) “These **drove Christianity underground** and **caused many Christians to turn away.**”
  - b) “But almost worse were the **rifts that appeared afterward** between **Christians who kept the faith** and those who **APOSTATIZED to SAVE their LIVES**, both of whom **STILL CONSIDERED THEMSELVES CHRISTIANS.**”

<https://www.uwyo.edu/uw/news/2015/02/uw-religion-today-how-constantine-created-the-christian-church.html>

# Origins of Modern Christian Church

## Constantine I established the Modern Christian Church

1. “But if the **founding of the church** is defined as the **first body of CHRISTIAN LEADERS** who could **determine accurate Christian belief** and **establish with sound authority** their **DEFINITION of CHRISTIANITY** across the **Mediterranean world**, then the **SINGLE MAN MOST** responsible for that achievement was **Constantine I, the emperor of Rome.** “
2. “Although the **CREATION** and **ORGANIZATION** of the **CHURCH** was **clearly a process that took place over several decades**, the **founding event** was the **Council of Nicea in 325 A.D.**”

<https://www.uwyo.edu/uw/news/2015/02/uw-religion-today-how-constantine-created-the-christian-church.html>

# Origins of the Modern Christian Church

## Constantine I made Christianity a legal religion

1. “Constantine appeared on the scene in the midst of the **so-called Great Persecution**, begun in 303 A.D., under Emperor Diocletian”
2. “By 305 A.D., the **problems caused** by the **persecution** were overtaken by those of determining Diocletian’s successor”
3. “More than **six different generals** would fight to become the emperor. **Constantine stood out** because he **became a Christian** and **unabashedly made Jesus the patron of his army**. By 313 A.D., just two contenders remained, Constantine and Licinius”
4. “The two **jointly issued the Edict of Milan**, which **made CHRISTIANITY a LEGAL RELIGION** and **officially ended the persecution**”
5. “But, it was **not until 324 A.D.** that **Constantine** finally became the sole ruler of the Roman Empire”

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# Saint Augustine, Philosophical Father of the Modern Christian Church

Augustine was Born: November 13, 354 A.D. / Died: August 28, 430 A.D.

1. He **adapted** **CLASSICAL THOUGHT** to **CHRISTIAN TEACHING** and created a **POWERFUL THEOLOGICAL SYSTEM** of **LASTING INFLUENCE**
2. He also **shaped the PRACTICE** of **BIBLICAL EXEGESIS** and helped lay the foundation for much of medieval and **MODERN CHRISTIAN THOUGHT**
3. In **Roman Catholicism** he is **formally recognized** as a **doctor of the church**
4. More than **five million words** of his writings survive
5. **Most INFLUENTIAL** adaptation of the **ANCIENT PLATONIC TRADITION** with **CHRISTIAN IDEAS** that **EVER OCCURRED** in the **LATIN CHRISTIAN WORLD**
6. His particular **SYNTHESIS** of **CHRISTIAN, ROMAN, and PLATONIC TRADITIONS** defined the **terms** for much later **TRADITION** and **DEBATE**.

*Source: <https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Augustine>*

# Platonic Traditions

The term "Platonism" is so widely used in modern scholarship that it is difficult to determine its meaning precisely as applicable either to a **particular group of thinkers** or to a **specific COLLECTION of DOCTRINES**. **Ancient sources frequently describe "PLATONISTS"** as those **PHILOSOPHERS** who further developed the known or presumed teaching of **PLATO HIMSELF** and "**ACADEMICS**" as those who pursued the **SKEPTICAL METHODOLOGY** believed to have been **INITIATED** by the **SOCRATES of PLATO's EARLIER DIALOGUES**. However, the substantive "**Platonism**" seems first to occur in **scholarly literature** only around the beginning of the eighteenth century when it was used to **characterize DOCTRINES** that were **NOT ONLY DERRIVED** from but also **COMBINED WITH PLATO'S OWN TEACHINGS** by later EXEGETES.

<https://www.encyclopedia.com/humanities/encyclopedias-almanacs-transcripts-and-maps/platonism-and-platonic-tradition>



# Scriptures vs. Man's Doctrines

No.	Holy Scriptures (TRUTHS)	Roman Government Catholic Church Dogma
1	<u>GOD</u> and <u>JESUS</u> are in <b>Heaven</b> . <u>JESUS CHRIST</u> is the head of His Body, the Church (Acts 7:55-56; Col. 1:18-20)	<b>Pope</b> is said to be <b>direct successor</b> of <b>St Peter</b> ; <b>Pope</b> has <b>Papal infallibility</b> from <b>CHRIST (GOD on the earth)</b>
2	<b>Baptism (immersed) in water</b> / <u>HOLY GHOST</u> / <b>BORN AGAIN</b> into the <b>Kingdom of GOD</b> (St. Matt. 28:18-20; St. Mark 16:16; Acts 1:5)	Be <b>Sprinkled at birth</b> and later <b>receive the Roman Catechism</b> to become a <b>member of the Catholic Church</b>
3	<b>Confess</b> your sins to <u>GOD</u> in <b>Heaven</b> (1 John 1:5-10)	<b>Confess</b> your sins to the <b>Priest</b>
4	Disciple's <u>Father</u> is in <b>Heaven</b> . <b>Call no man Father</b> on the earth (St. Matt. 6:9, 23:9)	<b>Call the leaders</b> of the Catholic Church <b>Fathers</b>
5	Disciple's <b>body</b> is the <b>temple</b> (1 Cor. 3:16-17)	<b>Rebuilt the Temple</b> and called them <b>cathedrals</b>
6	Disciples are a <b>Royal Priesthood</b> (1 Peter 2:5, 9)	<b>Only the catholic church</b> can ordain a <b>priest</b>
7	Disciples are <b>saints</b> (sanctified, set apart) (1 Cor. 1:2)	<b>Catholic Church</b> is the only organization that can <b>canonize individuals as saints</b>
8	<b>Pray</b> to the <b>Father</b> in <u>JESUS'</u> <b>Name</b> (St. John 14:13-14, 15:16, 16:23-26)	<b>Pray</b> to <b>Mary</b> and the <b>other Saints</b>
9	<b>Repent</b> of your <b>sins</b> (St. Matt. 3:2, 14:17; St. Mark 6:12; St Luke: 13:3-5; Acts 2:28-39)	<b>Pay indulgences</b>

# Rediscover the Holy Scriptures

- Living in the **END DAYS** since the outpouring of the HOLY GHOST on the Day of Pentecost
  - **GOD** poured out of His **SPIRIT** on all flesh in the **LAST DAYS** (Acts 2:16-21)
- **FOCUSES** on Disciples as the Church of JESUS CHRIST
  - **Followers** must become “**STUDENTS**” or “**PUPILS**” of the **Holy Scriptures**
  - **Followers** must seek to “**BE LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT**”
  - **Followers** must understand that they “**ARE** the **NT CHURCH** and **BRIDE of JESUS CHRIST**”

**LEARN TO SEEK THE TRUTH AND LISTEN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT!**

# Takeaways

1. Understand that individuals who **repent** and are **BORN AGAIN** of the **WATER** and the **SPIRIT** are the **Church**, the **living body of JESUS**, **His Disciples**
2. Understand that the **Holy Scriptures** **never looks or speaks to the Church** as a **religious organization** (NOTE: This can **distort one's understanding** of what it means to be **a Disciple** and **Follower of JESUS CHRIST**)
  1. **The Organized Modern Christian Church** was brought into existence by the **Roman Government**
  2. It is based on the **philosophical thoughts of the ancient world** and it mixes those with Christian views and the Roman Culture
3. Understand that **WE** are to **FOCUS** on **being BORN AGAIN**, **being led by the Holy SPIRIT**, and were **called to be STUDENTS of the Holy Scriptures**

# Discipleship Overview Summary



- **Key Discipleship Scriptures**
- **Discipleship Scriptural Pattern**
- **Had to wait on the Holy Ghost**
- **Origins of the Modern Christian Church**
- **Saint Augustine, Philosophical Father of the Modern Christian Church**
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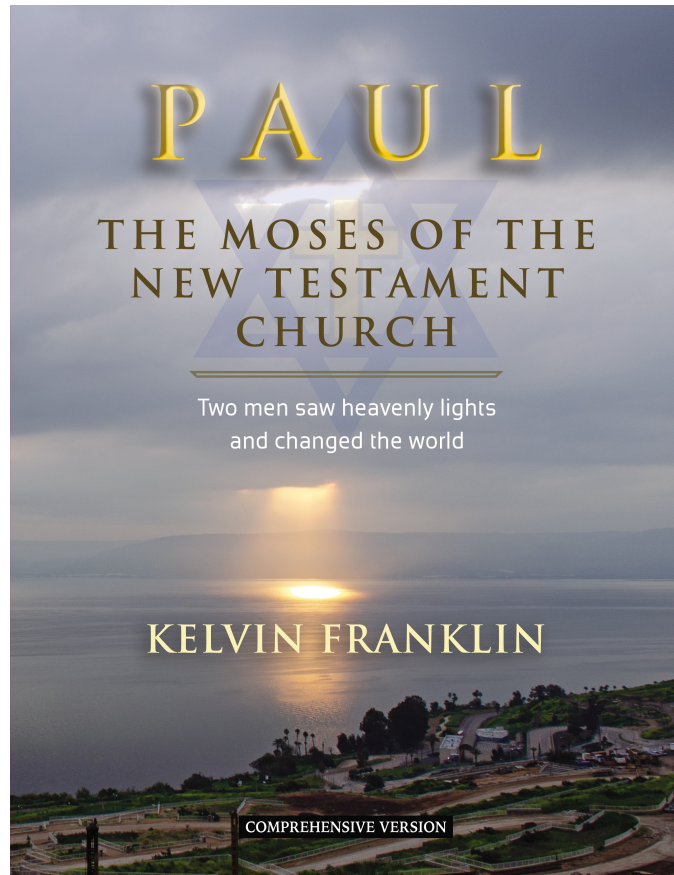
# Overall Summary

- **Opening Seminar** (*Why this conference; Definition of the Church; Foundation Reset – Expectation Set; Christianity Forbade Laity to Read; We must unlearn what we have learned*)
- **What Does God Want** (**1. Repentance** – think differently; **2. Faith** – God requires this first; **3. Die to self** – surrender; **4. Growth** – through reading; **5. Transformation** – through renewing the thoughts of one’s imagination; **6. Walking with JESUS** – more important than worship; and **7. Pleasing & Knowing GOD** – required to inherit the Kingdom of Heaven)
- **Discipleship Overview** (*Key discipleship scriptures; Discipleship Scriptural Pattern; Wait on the HOLY GHOST; Origins of Modern Christian Church; Rediscovering the Holy Scriptures*)

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- ✦ Journeyed because of murders
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- ✦ Heard voice and no man present
- ✦ Encountered **JESUS** in the Light
- ✦ Called to lead distinct groups
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- ✦ Deaths were foretold

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