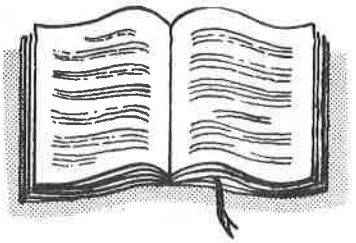
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Editor's Note:

Regarding the following article:

This article was sent to me some time ago and I had promised Bro. Roy McCay that I would print his rebuttle article to Bro. Treat's article which was in the March, 1985 issue of the Christian Courier, "only if it was scriptural". When I recieved it, I concluded that it was Bro. Roy's opinions and had no scriptural content to support the subject matter, so I did not print it.

Bro. Roy feels that it is scriptrual and that I lied to him. I would like to publicly repent if I have offended a brother, and I do so willingly in order to be obedient to God.

So, please find in this issue, following this statement, the rebuttle article in question. I now for-go my judgement regarding Bro. Roy's rebuttle, and ask that the Brotherhood make that judgement as to whether or not it is scriptural.

Please, get out the march 1985 issue of the Courier and study Bro. Lloyd Treat's article, then read and study Bro. Roy's rebuttle. Please study both prayerfully.

Editor

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"Eugene, Oregon
March 27, 1985"

"Brethren:

In regard to the article written by Bro. Lloyd Treat in the March Courier. I first want to thank Bro. Bryant for giving me permission to answer this article. I realize that this is against the rule that has governed this paper for a long time, whenever articles were printed this is one reason myself as well as many others have been in favor of just having news letters.

I am not writing this as an argument for one or the other. The only reason I am writing this is that I believe both sides have ligitiment argument for and against this subject. But I have never believed that the first article on a subject is always correct, no matter who presents it. I believe sombody should be responsible for everything taught. In the past I have had a Bro., after study, admit he was wrong in some of his conclusions in an article, but I have never yet seen this corrected in print.

I have been told in the past, if you don't agree with the article, contact the writer. Fine so far but what about the hundreds of people that read this article and didn't study it out for themselves or have somebody else call their attention to it? Some will say, 'Oh but Bro. So and So wrote this and look at all the scriptures he used. You know Brethren, we must know how to rightly divide the word of truth. You know Satan used the scriptures in the temptation of Christ.

When the paper was edited at Bellflower, they printed just the letters because the majority wanted it that way and I honestly believe it did more good and the brethren were getting along better with less bickering, of course this is just my opinion and I'm not trying to force it upon anyone else. So when Bro. Bryant found that the majority wanted the articles they started having the articles again, well and good, I never argued about it. But why can't you stop bringing it up and trying to start an argument all over?

At anyrate I can't keep still when articles like Treats is printed in a paper that h;as the word Christian on it. I don't want a man like Treat try to shame me because I prefer news letters instead of articles. Of course he mentions scripture, whose interpretation? Ther have been a number of articles written in the paper that I would certainly hate to try to prove scriptural.

Treat mentions shame on anyone that will muzzel the ox that treadeth out the corn. Let's drop back to the preceeding verse, [1 Tim 5-17]; "Let the Elders rule well, be counted worthy of double honor especially they who labor in the Word and doctrine. Notice, must rule well, with word and doctrine. This seems to me to be quite different from some one who can just run a typewriter.

Now let us quote from this article of Treats, that will put us in the same class as the rebellious children of Israel. [Isaih 30-11]..."says to the seers (teachers) see or teach not and to the Prophet prophesy unto us not right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits, get out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy one of Israel to cease from us. This would seem to be the same attitude that people of this nature have today when they don't want articles put out for the people to read. Just like they did to Christ in Matt 21:38. This is the Heir, come let us kill him, then the inheritance shall be ours, or in other words, we can do what we want, shame on anyone that has this attitude towards God's Word."

Brethren, please read this article of Treats carefully. I resent being compared to the rebellious children of Israel, and also to those who were in favor of the crucificiton fo Christ, simply because I and others prefer news letters instead of having articles. When I first read this slanderous letter, being human, I was thoroughly disgusted and aggrivated. I tried to think of a reason or even an excuse for it. There was another article in this issue of judging. I can't judge the intent of a man't heart, but I have to judge his teaching in comparison with God's Word, after due meditation I concluded that the most charitable thing to say was he was extremely negligent in studying his subject matter. I'm not trying to pick on anyone, and as long as the majority want them, fine, but please try to stick a little closer to the truth, and don't try to compare me or anyone else to the rebellious Jews, or those who crucified Christ, because some don't agree with your policy of teaching.

We are all human and do err, so please brethren, in teaching privately or publicly, whether from the pulpit or in a paper, we should always remember that we are in the business of trying to save souls, including our own, not trying to destroy our brother; [Gal 5:14-15] For all the Law is fulfilled in one word, even in this, thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. But if ye bite and devour one another take heed that ye be not consumed one of another."

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"When I stand in judgement....
What shall I say then?"

[Rom 6: 1]

"What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? God forbid! These are points to ponder and they embrace a framework of thinking that we are told to reject....."God forbid"

If we are passive (do nothing), and we don't vigorusly oppose sin, we may be among those Jesus referred to in Matt 7:22-23: As saying "Lord! Lord! In your name we spoke God's messages, by your name we drove out many demons and performed many miracles! Then I will say to them, "I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers."

Friends, we are to place our Lord FIRST in our lives; as we are told in Matt. 6:33, to be concerned above everything else with His Kingdom and with what He requires of us to serve him obediently.

Jesus poses this question in Luke 9:25; "Will a man gain anything if he gains the whole world but himself lost? If anyone wants to come with me, he must himself, take up his cross every day, and follow me, Jesus tells us in Luke 9:23.

In 1 Peter 5:8 we are told to be alert and to be watching out for our enemy, the Devil, because he is roaming around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. He tells us we are to be firm in our faith and resist the Devil. (And he will flee from us)

[Eph 5:17] Be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. Jesus tells us in [John 4:23-24] that the time is here, when the real worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and in truth. These are the worshipers the Father wants to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship (daily) in spirit and in truth.

Friends let us vigorously pursue the way of righteous living, by a daily study (with your mate or a loved one if you can) and meditation of the "Wonderful Words of Life." Lord willing! Then we can say as Paul, in 2 Tim 4:8 that the prize of victory is waiting for me, the crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who wait with love for him to appear.

[Rom 12-2] Do not conform outwardly to the standards of this world, but let God (through His Word) transform you inwardly by a complete change of your mind. Then you will be able to know the Will of God. What is good, and is pleasing to Him, and is perfect.

A closeness to and a love of His Word causes us to yearn for the Lord. [Rom 8:26] For we do not know how we ought to pray, the Spirit itself pleads with God for us, in groans that words cannot express. [1 Cor 15:58] Stand firm and steady. Keep busy in your work for the Lord.

In Christian Love, Tom Broadway

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"PEACE AND HARMONY"

Brethren: Lately there have been a number of good articles written on the subject of Peace and Harmony. All coming from one positive direction. It seems to me that too often we study the Bible this way and hereby miss a great deal of Truth. I would like to concider a few other scriptures which were not used to try and shed more light on the subject. Please read Jer. Chapter 8, especially verse 11. "They have healed the hurt of my people slightly, saying peace, peace when there is No Peace. [1 Thess 5:3] "For when they shall say peace and safty then sudden destruction cometh upon them as travail upon a woman

with child and they shall not escape." Is this a trap which we are falling into? Preaching peace at any price? Let us concider what Christ says about it. [Luke 12:51] "Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth, I tell ye nay But rather division." Matt. puts it a little differently. [Matt 10;34] "Think not that I am come to send peace one earth. I came not to send peace but a sword." What is this Sword that will cause division? It is the Word of God. [Eph 6;17] With which we fight against sin. What divisions are caused by the Word of God which Christ brought? [Rom 17:17] "Mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them." We see again that there are divisions which are according to the doctrine and some which are not. [11 Thes 3:6] "Now we command you brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves (divide) from every brother that walketh disorderly and not after the tradition which he received of us." [1 Cor 5:9] "I wrote you in an epistle not to company with fornicators (also see 1 Cor 5:11). [11 Thes 3:14] "And if any man obey not the Word by this epistle, note that man and have no company with him that he may be ashamed." [11 Tim 3:5] "Having a form of Godliness but denying the power thereof, from which turn away." [11 John - 10] "If there come any unto you and bring not this doctrine, recieve him not into your house neither bid him God speed, for he that bideth him God speed is a partaker of his evid deeds." [Titus 3:10] "A man that is a heretic after the first and second admonition reject." We see brethren these and other Scriptures all show divisions caused and commanded by the Word of God. It is indeed true that we are to STRIVE for PEACE and HARMONY, but only as the Bible allows. The idea of Peace and Harmony at any price is not taught in the Bible and is only promoted by people who do not wish their Sins spoken against. No, we must "Fight the good fight of faith" no matter what the opposition. But always useing the Word of God and remember tht Christ came not to bring Peace but Division because He knew all would not obey Him, only a few.

Written in Love of the Truth.

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"Wait on the Lord and keep his way, and he shall exhalt thee to inherit the land; when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it. I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree. Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found. Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; for the end of that man is peace. But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off. But the salavation of the righteous is of the Lord: he is their strenght in the time of trouble."

Psalm 37: 34-38

JESUS SPAKE

[Luke 12: 16 - 36]

Jesus spake a parable to the people about a certain rich man. He was given a bountiful crop and had no room to bestow (store) his goods, so he thought within himself and said he would build bigger barns, store his goods and take his ease, but God said he was a fool, for he was to give up his soul that night. "So is he that layeth up treasures for himself, and is not rich toward God." (verse 21)

Then he says in verse 33; "Sell that ye have and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupt. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." It seems to me anymore, that we live just to get more and more, of this worlds' goods around us, and forget to do as He said; (ie) give alms, that is give of our reasonable service, alms of good deeds and of sewing the scriptures. If we aim to build our faith, we are to keep the commandments of God. He will supply our needs. [John 14:13] "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son." Do not we get our faith by; "So then faith cometh by hearing (hearing what? THE WORD) and hearing by the Word of God." [Rom 10- 17]

God gave Aaron and his sons some instructioins that I would like to draw to your attention. [Leviticus 10:9 -10] "Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations: And that ye may put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean." From the amount of strong drink and of wine that people of today consume, it looks like that people don't care what the Lord said but just go ahead and do what they want to. In Jeremiah, 29th chapter, we read of this prophet teaching the people and them rejecting, as they do now. As we see, this was written for our learning so we would not do like them. [I Cor. chap 10 & 11] But looking at the church today, it seems as we like what we are doing, and it just doesn't bother us.

[1 John 5:4] "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." Hearing the Word of God is where we get our faith. The Word of God said in [Jer 16: 16-21] That the Lord would recompense their iniquity and their sin double because they have defiled his land and filled his inheritance with carcases of their detestable and abominable things." If we take heed to God's Word, we will give close heed to build ourselves upon our most holy faith. [Jude 20] "But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost. Keeping yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life."

Putting ourselves between the clean and the unclean, teaching eachother how to keep unspotted from the world. Using what Joshua said in Joshua 24:15; and also what Paul said in 2 Cor 6:16-17. "And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; and God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people." We are going to have to choose God and His Way if we expect to attain that heavenly home. I beg of you, all, to choose God and His Way. And not be like the people in Matt 21: 33-38; For when you become like those men, who killed the son, Matthew likens their actions to those who killed our Lord. Should we crucify the Son of God afresh? This is what will happen to us if we react as they did. "Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof." Verse 43. [re Heb. 6:1-6 also] Let us not turn the Grace of God into laciveousness and keep in mind 2 Peter 2:1-10, and not walk after the ways of the flesh, or the ways of other people that are in the world.

As instructed in Gal 5: 14-26, I leave you, in love of the Word of God and of you.

Your Brother in Christ:

Lloyd Treat
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Broken Bow, Oklahoma 74728

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"AS COLD WATERS TO A THIRSTY SOUL, SO IS GOOD NEWS FROM A FAR COUNTRY"

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RANDLETT, OK.

The church at Randlett has finally gotten their lot title in order. As some of you know, they have been working since spring on getting a clear title to the adjoining lot that was donated to the church, with hopes of erecting a metal church building. The building that they are presently meeting in is very old and beyond repairs. It has a portion of the ceiling that collapsed, due to the severe roof leak. And due to recent heavy rains more of the ceiling is getting close to collapsong.

The members are working to try to get a building before winter sets in or the old building falls in. They are $4000.00 short on the cost of getting the building erected, which does not include the interior cost, such as plumbing and fixtures, finished walls, etc..

The main objective is just to get the building erected, so they can have services, then do the interior as the church can afford to, and as the local members and brethren living reasonably close can lend their time and personal abilities.

Bro Leroy Mullins can give the details and answer any questions and if anyone wishes to contact him, His address is as follows:

Church of Christ
% Bro. Leroy Mullins
626 E. Third St. (or P.O.Box 572)
Burkburnett, Texas 76354 Phone (817) 569-1956

Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

In Christian love.

Andy & Darla Barnes (Loco cong.)
Preston & Anna Bell Barnes (Loco cong)

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YUMA, ARIZONA

Dear ones in Christ.

I would like to say that I had the priviledge of attending the Colorado Camp Meeting. I don't believe there was ever an actual head count made, but I can recall approx. ninty (90), and I'm sure I've missed some. There are two things in particular I would like to comment on. One was the time taken most every morning for the study, comments questions and so on, of the Bible. Many subjects were discussed and covered. This was open to all, men, women, and young people. There was a moderator so there was one person speaking at a time and no confusion. The astounding thing is the depth and understanding of the Truth of the younger Christians.

The other comment I would like to make is about, THE YOUNG PEOPLE. They were fantastic. They cleaned up the dining room and kitchen plus the grounds and their own rooms. They worked together, no complaining and usually ended up singing as they did mounds of dishes.

I am encouraged by what I saw and heard. I believe the future of the Church is in good hands. God bless each and every one who is doing the Ture work of the Lord.

In Chrisitan Love

Mrs. W.B. Nelson (Sister Nelson) 321 May Ave. Yuma, Az. 85364

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BELLFLOWER, CA.

Dear Brethren:

As it has come to my turn to write the news, I'm very happy to report a succesful gospel meeting held for us by Bro. Tom Broadway. Tom's theme for the week's teaching was "self examination". Each and every lesson was very well presented, and helpful to our Christian growth. We had a good time talking Bible, and sharing brotherly love.

Our visitors for the week were Robin Taylor from Port Orchard, Wa.; Larry Brockman from Chico, Ca.; Dean and Kay Guyer from Waterford, Ca: J.L. and Eunice Jared from Salem, Or., and their grandaughter,

Lana; Amy Smith (Natalie's sister) from Sacramento, Ca.; Earl and Zelma Broadway from Yuma, Az.; Walter, Vickie Ferguson, and daughter Erica from Goshen, Ark.; Marion Serrano from LaHabra, Ca.. Thank you all so much for your support and help.

On behalf of my family, I want to thank all the wonderful people at Baron, and Goshen for their love and care for us during our visit. When you're out our way, please give us the opportunity to share what we have with you.

We are pleased to have Bro. Tom Broadway, and his wife, Charlene with us again this last month, wherein Bro. Tom performed the marriage ceremony of Bro. Mark Perigen and my daughter, Sis. Tammy Way. Among Bro. and Sister Broadway, we had numerous other visitors from different congregations who came for this joyous event. We thank them for coming. It was nice to get to visit with them. Congratulations Mark and Tammy; may you have a wonderful life together.

Our love to the faithful everywhere.

Bro. Al Way for the Church
at Bellflower, Ca.

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BROKEN BOW, OKLAHOMA

Dear Bro. Homer and all the Brethren:

We have had a visit from Bro. Leroy Mullins at Randlett, Ok. and they sure do need some help. They are in very bad need of a building to meet in, since their old building is falling in and they are so few in number. They have their lot paid for, so what they need is a building. I think Bro Leroy said what they could put up a building for is about $7000.00. So why not all donate as much as possible for the cause of Christ and lets get them a building. Send all support to Leroy Mullins, P.O. Box 572, Burkburnett, Tx. 76354. [Please see the letter from Brother Barnes. It states that they need only $4000.00)

Also, there is a Sister in Mountian Grove, Mo. that is trying, along with her sister in Big Flat, Ark., to get a church started in the Arkansas Ozarks, and would like for any old folks, or any Christian to move there and help get it going. They are talking of older, retired people, who would like to move their camper, mobilehome, or trailer there on their place, rent free. And maybe have a senior citizens Church, and all be one family in Christ. Each being independent and live there close to where they would come to worship God. If there is anyone interested, contact Mrs. Flossie Bayne, Mountian Grove, Mo. Rt 2 Box 177 - 65711.

Your Brother in Christ.
Lloyd Treat

More news from Broken Bow, Ok.. They will be holding their meeting on Oct. 10,11, and 12, with Brother Terry Warford of Stilwell, Ok. doing the preaching. All who can attend, please be sure to make it to support their meeting. Also Sister Treat's back is still giving her trouble. Let us pray to our Heavenly Father that it be His will that she be healed and returned to her natural health.

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GOSHEN, ARKANSAS

Dear Brethren:

There is not much news from here, but I will try to write. Most of the sick and injured from here are doing better. Sister Lawson has been in the hospital again since I wrote last, but is home now. I think right now, she is holding her own, but with her age and condition it can change from day to day. She can't walk but a step or so anymore so it is a struggle to take care of her. I want to take this oppurtunity to thank Bro. Terry Warford and Bro. Homer Bryant for their comments about Sister Lawson in the August Paper.

We have had a few visitors for which we are thankful. Sister Joan Shea from LaHabra, Ca. was here about 2 weeks visiting relatives. Sister Julie Shea also from LaHabra, Ca. is still here. On Sunday night, Aug. 17th, Bro. Terry Warford from Baron, Ok. was here and gave us a good lesson on the subject; "Have we concidered God?" We enjoyed it as always.

Last Sunday Night (Aug 31) Bro. Terry and Bro. Gerold Buckner from Stilwell, came in for services. They were a little late so we didn't get to have a lesson from either one, but were glad to have them anyway. Some from here have been able to travel a little. Bro. Walter Ferguson & family went to Calif. on vacation, and reported haveing a good time. Bro. & Sis. Vanderpool went to Loco, Ok. for part of their meeting & reported having a good time. I sure hated to miss it, but had to because of my grandmother being sick. Several from here were able to go to Baron last Sunday for the singing. I was able to go down in time for the morning services and stay for the singing. I sure injoyed seeing everyone and also enjoyed the good singing. Others attening from here were Bro. Walter Ferguson, Bro. Isaac Ferguson, Bro. Melvin and Sis. Rachel Daniels; Bro. Ernest and Sister Maysel Buchannon, & Sister Julie Shea, who was visiting here. There will be one more singing this year. It will be Oct 26th at Goshen. Everyone that can, make plans to attend. We have really been enjoying the singing at all three places.

All the visitors are welcome here anytime.

With Christian love, Paul Andrews, Rt. 2 Hindsville, Ark. 72738
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LOCO, OKLAHOMA

Dear Brethren.

It has been quite some time since I have written, so just a few lines to let you know how things are going here. Sister Larissa Smith fell Aug. 4th and fractured her leg but seems to be doing very well, and has not missed a Sunday service since her accident. Everyone else seems to be enjoying a reasonable amount of good health.

We want to thank everyone that supported us in our meeting. Those attending were Christians from thirteen different congregations, from five states.

Bro. Perigen brought us nine uplifting sermons from the Word of God and His Word did not go out void, as one young man, Tony Normile confessed Christ and was baptized into the Body of Christ. Tony is a friend of our grandaughter, Traci Barnes. May the light of God's Word shine in our lives that these new ones in Christ (as well as all mankind) can see the importance of living a Chrisitan life.

In Chrisitan Love Howard Taylor

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MEETING CALENDAR

BARON, OKLAHOMA	Oct 3 - 5	Lloyd Treat
BROKEN BOW, OKLAHOMA	Oct 10 - 12	Terry Warford

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTISMS:

Brother Tony Normile - Loco Church of Christ
(Brother Perigen officiating)

We all rejoice, as do the angels in heaven, because of this one Brother, who has come, believing on Jesus Christ our Lord, repenting of his sins, and confessing that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and that God did raise him from the dead, and was baptized into the church of our Lord Jesus Christ. May you continue stadfastly in your Christian life, Bro. Tony. Don't be afraid to ask others when and if you have doubts or need encouragement.

May God bless and keep you in His Grace, is our prayer.

New Testament Church Established A. D. 30

Founder. Jesus Christ. Matt. 16: 18.

Foundation. Jesus Christ. Isa. 28: 16; Matt. 16: 18; Eph. 2: 19, 20; 1 Pet. 2: 4-6; 1 Cor. 3: 11.

When and Where Founded.
- Isa. 2: 1-4.
- Mic. 4: 1, 2.
- Luke 24: 46-49.
- Acts 1: 4-8.
- Acts 2: 1-4, 41-47.

Character Visible—Gal. 1: 13, or Invisible—1 Pet. 2: 5.

The Organization Consists of Phil. 1: 1.

Saints.
- Called of God—Rom. 1: 7; 1 Cor. 1: 2; 2 Tim. 1: 8, 9.
- How Called—Heb. 8: 10; John 6: 45; Rom. 10: 14, 15; 1 Cor. 1: 21; 2 Thess. 2: 13.
- Why Called—Acts 26: 16-18; Luke 24: 7; Tit. 2: 14; 2 Thess. 2: 14; Rom. 10: 1-13; 11: 23-32.

Elders.
- Office—1 Tim. 3: 5; 5: 17; 1 Pet. 5: 1-3; Acts 20: 28.
- Character—1 Tim. 3: 1-7; Tit. 1: 5-9.
- Duty—1 Tim. 3: 2; 5: 17; 1 Pet. 5: 2, 3; 1 Thess. 5: 12.

Deacons
- Office—Acts 6: 1-6.
- Character—1 Tim. 3: 8-13.
- Duty—Acts 6: 1-3.

Duty of Church to Officers.
- To be submissive—Heb. 13: 7-17.
- Not rebuke—1 Tim. 5: 1; 1 Pet. 5: 5.
- About accusations—1 Tim. 5: 19.
- Honor—1 Tim. 5: 17; 1 Thess. 5: 13.
- Salute—Heb. 13: 24.

Name.

Of Organization.
- Church of God—Acts 20: 28; 1 Cor. 1: 2; 1 Tim. 3: 5.
- Church of the Living God—1 Tim. 3: 15.
- Body of Christ—Col. 1: 24; Eph. 4: 12; 5: 23.
- The Church of Christ—Rom. 16: 16; Eph. 5: 23.

Of Members.
- Disciples—John 15: 8; Acts 11: 26.
- Saints—Rom. 1: 7; 1 Cor. 1: 2; Phil. 1: 1; Col. 1: 2.
- Brethren—Luke 8: 21; 1 Cor. 15: 6; Jas. 1: 2; 2 Pet. 1: 10.
- Christians—Acts 11: 26; 26: 28; 1 Pet. 4: 16.
- Children—Gal. 3: 26.

Other Names Sinful.
- Rom. 8: 6, 7.
- 1 Cor. 1: 11-15.
- 1 Cor. 3: 1-7.

Authority for the Name Christian.
- Isa. 62: 2; 65: 15; Acts 11: 26.
- Jas. 2: 7; 1 Pet. 4: 16.
- Amos 9: 11; Acts 15: 13-17.
- Dan. 9: 19; Eph. 3: 14, 15.

Creed. Jesus Christ.
- Apostles' Creed—Matt. 16: 16; Rom. 10: 8-10.
- Importance of Confessing Christ—Matt. 10: 32, 33; 1 John 4: 15.
- Examples of Confessing Christ—Matt. 16: 16; John 1: 49; Acts 8: 37; 1 Tim. 6: 12.
- Unchangeableness of Creed and Confession—Heb. 13: 8.

Ordinances.

Baptism.
- Proper subject: a penitent believer—Mark 16: 16; Acts 2: 28-41; 8: 12-37; 18: 8.
- How performed—Matt. 3: 16; Acts 2: 38, 39; John 3: 5; Rom. 6: 4; Col. 2: 12; Heb. 10: 22.
- Design—Mark 16: 16; John 3: 5; Acts 2: 38; 22: 16; 1 Pet. 3: 21.

Communion.
- Instituted—Matt. 26: 26-28; Mark 14: 22-24; Luke 22: 19, 20; 1 Cor. 11: 23-26.
- Importance of—John 6: 48-58; 1 Cor. 10: 16.
- When to be observed—Acts 20: 7.
- Self-examination before taking—1 Cor. 11: 27-30.
- Results of partaking unworthily—1 Cor. 11: 27, 29, 30.

IT IS A COMMUNION WITH CHRIST. 1 Cor. 10: 16.

RULE OF FAITH AND PRACTICE.

Word of God.
- To be used in conversion of the world—Mark 16: 15, 16; Matt. 28: 19, 20.
- Sufficiency for church government—2 Tim. 3: 16, 17.
- Seed of the Kingdom—Matt. 13: 3.
- Sword of the Spirit—Eph. 6: 17; Heb. 4: 12.

"Profitable for doctrine, reproof, correction, instruction, that the man of God may be perfect, furnished completely unto all good works."

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