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"God is a spirit ad they that worship him must worship in spirit and truth." (John 4:24

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We speak where the Bible speaks and we are silent where the Bible is silent. The agreed that they would go back to the Bible for the name, (Matt 16:18) "And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not

prevail against it." (Rom 16:16) "Salute one
another with an holy kiss. The churches
of Christ salute you." (Acts 20:28) "Take heed
therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock,
over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you
overseers, to feed the church of God, which he
hath purchased with his own blood."

Christ Name Matt 1:21
Christ - Baptism Matt 3:13-17
Christ was tempted 3 Times in the wilderness 4:3-10
What did Jesus preach Matt 4:17
State Main points in his lesson on Providence of God Matt 6:25-34
Why is it wrong to Judge others Matt 7(1-5) note + beam.
Name the twelve apostles Matt 10:2-4 Lk 6:13-16
First commission given to apostles. Matt 10:5-15
What is vain worship Matt 15:1-9 Mark 7:1-13
Transfiguration of Jesus and name all the person present Matt 17:1-8
NOTE What Christ said evening ere church.
Signs of Christ 2nd Coming Matt 24:36-41 / Luke 21:25-33
GREAT Commission Matt 28:19-20 / Luke 24:45-48 (44)
What character of sin has no forgiveness. MARK 2:28-30
What chokes the word and makes it unfruitful? MARK 4:18-19
What did the apostles preach? Mark 6:10-13
Question of divorcement? Mark 10:2-12
Blessings and Woes Luke 6:(20-26)
What does Jesus say of those who hear, but do not obey? Luke 6:(46-49)
Who did Jesus say would be greatest among the disciples? Luke 9:46-48
For what did Jesus thank the Father. Lk 10:21-24
Encouragement to prayer Lk 11:5-13
Who will not be forgiven Lk 12:10
What is the measure of Man's responsibility? Lke 12:(47-48)
What does Jesus say about repentance? Luke 13(1-5)
Requirements of a disciples L 14:25-27
How do men know God? John 1:18
Did Jesus himself baptize? John 4:1-4 His disciples.
How do men honor God? John 5:23
BAPTIST SCRIPT How are men drawn to God? 6:44-46
What is it to be a disciple indeed? JN 8:31,32
Whose prayer does God hear? John 9:31

What evidence did Christ offer that he was the Son of God. Jn 10:36-38
Why did many who believed on Christ refused to confess him? Jn 12:42-43.
What did Jesus say about the judgment? John 12:44-48.
How do men receive God. Deut 13:20
Is there anyway to God except through Jesus? Jn 14:1-6
How do men show their love to God? Jn 14:21-25
What is the doom of those who do not abide in Christ? John 15:6
How is God glorified? Jn 15:8.
How can we abide in the Love of God? John 15:9-11
Who are friends of Jesus. John 15:14:15
Who were to testify of Christ? Jn 15:26-27
What is eternal life? John 17:1-3
(The word) What is the instrument of sanctification Jn 17:17
Luke wrote Book of acts acts 1:1 Luke 1:1-4
How long was it Christs' resurrection to his ascension?
(40 days) acts 1:3
What was "the promise of the Father"? Acts 1:4-5
The apostles. Matt. 10:24 Mark 3:16-19
Luke 6:14-16 acts 1:13

1. Peter
2 andrew
3 James
4. John
5. Philip
6. Bartholomew
7. Thomas
8. Matthew
9. James of Alphaeus.
10. Thaddaeus
11. Simon the Zealot.
12. Judas Iscariot (replaced by Matthias Acts 1:26

{Luke is physician, an evangelist, and companion of Paul.

John Mark
(?) acts 15:39
Acts 13:13

Since Mark & Luke did not one of the chosen 12 apostles, and they wrote the Gospels Mark & Luke & the Book of acts. By what authority did they write and why were they inspired by Holy Spirit since books of New Testament are to be the inspired writings of the apostles.

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5. The purpose of God's law is that man may be led to do God's will out of a pure heart.

22 Man without a pure, a good conscience & faith that is unfeigned can not be acceptable service to God.

a Man's conscience is defiled by doing what he knows is wrong & refusing to do what he knows is right. God accepts nothing as worship that is not done heartily with full faith.

Expression of Gratitude to Christ who had entrusted him with the ministry as a proof of God's Long suffering & as encouraging to Others

12. God always respects the man who keeps a good conscience & is true in his convictions, God honored Paul's faithfulness. God knows who is true to his on conscience & counted Paul worthy to preach.

13. Paul did not conceal his wrongs & was open & free to confess them, that he might magnify the mercy & goodness of God. Paul didn't believe Christ to be Son of God.

14. God is merciful & grace giving because he loved his son Christ.

15. Paul said he chief of all sinners that we have had been more guilty than he.

16. God forgave Paul, & Christ in him led him to love the persecutors & suffering he had inflicted in others, He must be Chief among those who suffer

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for him,
17. Paul felt it a honor to be chosen to
suffer because it brought the assurance that
he would be made like him in immortal glory.
He prised God called him ruler of universe
which their is no end to his reign & glory that
God is immortal, invisible, the only true and
real God and that he would be honored &
gloried unto the age of ages.

I Tim 3:14,15. what does Paul say Church is.'
16:1-3 Acts Timothy joined Paul.
Acts 2
1. How were they confounded.?
2. How where they amazed.
Peter's Sermon.
(1). an explanation of the outpouring of Holy spirit
with the fulfillment of promise made by Joel;
(2) a description of the Lord upon whom they should
call, and (3) a pointed to acknowledge the
Messiahship of Jesus who had be Crucified
buried, raised from dead, and ascends back to Father.
First part of Peter's address 14 closes with 21.
the sewnd 22-28 3rd 29-36.
Peter's Addres
Introduction:
1. Defense of the apostles.
2. Explanation of the Events.
I. The Theme - Jesus is the Christ.
II The Proof.
1. The works of Jesus
2. His Resurrection.

(a) Quotation from David
(b) Exposition of Quotation
(c) The Witness of the Disciples.
3. The Gift of the Holy Spirit Promised.

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Faith, Heb 11:16
Repentance Acts 17:30
Confession Acts 10:10 Acts 8:37.
Baptism Acts 2:28 Gal 3:27 Rom 6:3-4

SPRINKLING 1311 A.D. At Council of Ravenna Catholic Priest Declared Baptism NON-ESSENTIAL not CHRIST

Would use Bible to Direct their Worship

Singing - Col 3:16 Eph 5:19 I Cor 14:15

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC INTRODUCED into Catholic church 670 A.D. by Pope Vitalian NOT CHRIST,

Prayer - I Tim 2:8 Phil 4:6
Contribution I Cor 16:2 II Cor 9:6-7
Coming, Acts 20:7 Heb. 10:25

No Human Creed - No Catechism

much modern worship is vain because it is authorized by

Only the Scriptures

Added to Church

Man makes no rules and regulations concering entrance. God teaches "And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved (Acts 2:47) No one can vote your acceptabily but may is added to church by the grace of God (Eph 2:8) Acts 2:36-40

Christ is the Head and Purchased the Church with his blood, Christ build the Church. (Colossians 1:18, Acts 20:28) Matt 16:16-19,

Organization

One Body:
Ephesians 4:4
Ephesians 1:22.

Elders - Tit 1:5 I Pet 5:1-3 Acts 20:28
I Tim 3:1-7
Deacons Acts 6:1-6 I Tim 3:8-13
members 2:41-47 Col 1:13 I Co 1:2

Mission: Save souls
Eph 3:10, Jno 6:45
I Tim 4:16

No divisions
I Cor 1:10, 12, 13) I Timothy 4:1, 3
I Cor 3:3-4
I Cor 4:15—17)

The Same Teaches in every church.)

Since the church of Christ today teaches the same things the apostles taught, since it worships in the same way, has the same organization, wears the same names, we believe the Church of Christ to be Scripturally identical with the Church revealed in the New Testament

Where the Scriptures speak we speak; where they are silent, we are silent;
The Bible Speaks, Rev. 22:18-19
a WARNING: Gal 1:6-8 Matt 15:13 II Cor 11:3