## The Sword Of The Spirit

## "What Is The church Of Christ? (#4)"

We have been studying about the church of Christ and have learned that the church is made up of Christians (Acts 2:47, 11:26). We have learned about the organization; the work God gave the church to do; and even that the church of Christ simply uses the Bible, and not man's ideas, for its rule of faith and practice (I Pet. 4:11).

Another truth about the church of Christ is that it is not a denomination. In other words, the church of Christ did not separate from another religious body as the Protestants did the Catholic Church. Several hundred years ago, these people "protested" the Catholic church and broke away from it. (Thus, the title "Protestants") The church of Christ, however, did not break from or sever ties with any other church, because the church of Christ existed **BE-FORE** all other churches that exist today (Matt. 16:18; Acts 2:38-47; Rom. 16:16)!

Therefore, those belonging to the church of Christ (Christians, Acts 11:26) are not a part of a denomination. They belong to the one body, the one church (Eph. 1:22-23, 4:4; Col. 1:26) that has been in existence since the first century and will be delivered up to God one day (I Cor. 15:24). Do you belong to a denomination? If so, why? (Continued...)

Service Times: Sunday: 10, 10:45 am, 5 pm Wednesday: 7 pm

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