

# The Definition Of The Word Church Pt1

## *The First Churches Pt1*

### MATTHEW 16:16-18

16. *And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.*

17. *And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.*

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.*

### WHY SOME PEOPLE CAN'T KEEP THE VICTORY [57-0324]

After while little Adam said, "It's not time to turn a television on, but darling, the sun's going down. **It's time for us to go worship.**" Oh, God. "**It's time for us to go worship.**" Not, "We're going down to hear Dr. Jones, and we're going down to hear Bill Branham or anybody else." But, "We're going up to worship."

### HEAR YE HIM [57-0725]

Adam says to Eve, "Sweetheart, **let's go up to church.** It's time to worship Father." They didn't have plush seats. They had no denominations. They went right up into the great cathedral, and there, when that great Light come down, and they worshipped God.

### REMEMBERING THE LORD [62-1209]

I like the evening service, when the sun goes down, something, another. It was God in the garden of Eden, to Adam, would come up in the cool of the evening and talk to Adam. See, and I like the evening service.

### GENESIS 3:8

8. *And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.* 9. *And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?*

### GENESIS 3:21

21. *Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.*

### GENESIS 4:3

3. *And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.*

4. *And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. **And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:***

5. *But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.*

6. *And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?*

7. *If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.*

8. *And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.*

THE JUNCTION TIME [56-0122]

Notice this. When Cain and Abel, both of them, both of them boys built an altar to God. **They built a church to the Lord.**

I WILL RESTORE [54-0620A]

**Cain went to church.**

THE SPOKEN WORD IS THE ORIGINAL SEED [62-0318]

**They both went to church.** They both paid their dues. They both obligated. They got down and worshiped the same God. And one was received, and the other one lost.

How's it come? Jesus said, "*Upon this rock I'll build My Church.*"

DOCTOR MOSES [55-0114]

**Cain built him a church, an altar.** Cain worshipped at the altar. Cain made a sacrifice. He was just as religious as Abel was. But Cain brought works, fruit of the field, and laid them on the altar.

DOCTOR MOSES [55-0114]

But Abel, by spiritual revelation, revealed to him by God through his faith, that it was not fruit. It was a blood that caused it. So by a spiritual revelation, at **the first church buildings that was ever made**, the first altar directed, there was the pro and con.

Abel, by spiritual revelation, for there was no written Word, God revealed to him that it was not the fruits, or the works of your hands. He brought blood and offered blood, and it testified for him that he was righteous, because he was--it was spiritual, revealed to him.

**GENESIS 8:20**

20. *And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.*