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this I would like to speak to you this morning about the Church. There are many ideas about what the church is, what its purpose is, how it should operate, what our relationship to it should be, and just how important it is in our society.

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The new Testament has much to say about the Church. The apostle Paul mentioned it in Col. 1:24 "Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the Church." Here Paul speaks of the church as the body of Christ. From this we see that the church is made up of all true believers in Christ. Illust. The last supper.

Jesus suffered for the Church as we read in Ep. 5:25-27, "Husbands love your wives even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it, that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word. That He might present it to himself a glorious church not having spot nor wrinkle or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish."

We should never think of the church lightly. Use illust. Mr. Barrow and his idea of the church.

Illus. J. C. Ferry, James Garfield, Michael G. Faraday

Paul believed in the church so strongly that in the scripture I just read in Col. He said he was rejoicing in his sufferings for the church at colosia.

The Church is not just a club or another social organisation or just a show or a play house. The work of the church is serious business and should not be taken lightly. The church has the business of preparing people to live sucessfully in this life, and for a place of everlasting joy with God after this life is over. The church has the business of rescuing men, women, boys and girls from the fires of hell. I think that is really important business, don't you.

Each congregation is only a small part of the great body of Christ. To forsake the church is to forsake Christ. You cannot separate Christ and the Church.

Paul made many missionary journeys to establish new churches, he saw the great importance of each one and wept and cried over some of them because he had them in his heart. Because he had the concern and love like Christ. Do we weep over the church as much as we should or do we run when the way is hard? There are many people in communist countries that are ready to suffer and if need be to die for their Church. They have to meet in secret and often are subjected to much cruelty but they hold fast in their faith. *They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.*
He that sows in the high hills and hedges

Some people treat their job in the church very lightly, but our work for the church is the most important job we will ever have. Our work for the church is not confined to four walls. One person asked a pastor where his church was. On Sunday the church is inside a certain building, during the week it is scattered in factories stores homes and other places. The body of Christ cannot be confined to just the four walls of a building.

Whether the local church is big or small it is very important to the Lord. Jesus said in Luke 12:32, "Fear not little flock for it is your fathers good pleasure to give you the kingdom". He also said, "where 2 or 3 are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst." Jesus believes our gathering together is so important that if only 2 or 3 are present He will be there. I have heard the expression, "the unseen guest," Well is He a guest? No He is the most faithful member of all, as the song says, "Jesus is always near".

Now let's notice what Christ wants to do for the Church. Ep. 5:26-27 "That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word. 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." Christ wants the church to be holy. Ps. 93:5 says, "Holiness becometh thine house O Lord forever." Heb 12:14 says, "For without holiness no man shall see the Lord." Jesus was very displeased with what he saw in the Temple.

I thank God for the church and what it has meant to me. Most people find God in the church.

*Fondly
Gressed*

*Song writers
Singers and musicians
with Melodies*

The word of God is taught by faithful teachers and preachers and many other kinds of faithful workers. We are all a part of this glorious church and that shall meet around the throne someday and sing the songs of zion like we have never sung them before. I have been privelaged to hear some great singing but this will be a chrous of ten thousand times tenthousand and thousands of thousands. How many is that?

The Church is a mighty force in the world
Solomon in ch. 6:10 described the church. "Fair as the moon clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with Banners." Jesus said "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Illust. Commencement of a Good church
Mal. 3:17 the prophet says, "And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in the day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him."

Jesus suffered for the church as we are the church
Is. 62:3 "Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God."

The marriage supper in glory
I'm so glad to be a part of this glorious church aren't you?

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a glorious church

Illust. Sis Goldsmith if true

The Church is not just a club or another odd organization or just a show off a bunch from the work of the church is when the business of inspiring people to do the work of the church in this world. This is a place of encouragement, this is a place where love is given. The church, through the actions of its members, sons, women, wife and children, like family of itself, a think tank in itself, supporting, pointing, doing good.

The church, our need for us, and we should part of the next body of Christ. To forsake the church is to forsake the Christ you cannot forsake Christ and the church.

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Standing By Jesus

Scripture John 19:23-30

Text v. 23

"Now there stood by the cross of Jesus."

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Introduction

Less then a week ago the multitudes were praisin
Him. were were the people who should have stood
by Him.

Where were those Jesus had healed. Bartimaus,
Lazorus, lame maimed halt Etc
The mob cried out crucify Him.
He had lost His popularity.

Who wanted to help Him carry His cross. A man
was compelled to bear it.

Where ware all the disciples.
Where was Judas
where was Peter Illustrate.

II. Let us look at those who stood by Jesus to the
end.

Mary His mother. a fathful mother.
Mary's Sister.

Mary the wife of Cleophas
Almost nothing said about her# but she# was fathful

Mary Magdalene. The women Jesus had cast out 7
devils

John the Beloved.

Secret dèciples : Joseph of Arimthea.
Nicodemas

III. Can I stand by the cross.

By Never being ashamed of Jesus.

By fathfulness to His church . Jesus gave
Himself for it.

By determiniming in your own heart that you
will go# all the way regardless of the cost.

There are great rewards for faithfullness

Mary Magdaline saw Him first after the resurrection
John received the revelation on the Isle of Patmos
Mary saw Her son rise victorious.

Things to forget and things to remember. 147

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Saint Philip 3:13, 14 f.t. nozoren
severmore 7-19-82 Ch Prayer
things to forget. meeting 6-15-88

1 fast failures (Example Edison
Remember the words of our Lord.
2 Cor. 12:9 "My grace is sufficient for
thee for my strength is made
perfect in weakness."

Ph 4:13 I can do all things through
Christ who strengthens me.

1 Cor 10:13 "here hath no temptation
but such is common to
man, but God is faithful
who will not suffer you
to be tempted above that
which ye are able to bear,
but will with the temptation
also make a way to escape,
that ye may be able to bear it."

2 Pet. 2:9 The Lord knoweth
how to deliver the godly
out of temptation

Forget grievances and slights
of others. Don't be a grievance
collector.

Remember

Ph. 4: 4 - 9

and the God of Peace will be
with you. Think about the
good things

II Things to remember (to praise
God)

1. The love of God

(The song the love of God)

2. The blessings of being
a Christian

A. Guilt of sin taken
away.

B. Name written down in
the book of life.

3. Remember to pray and
be faithful

"Be thou faithful unto
death and I will give
thee a crown of life."

4. Remember the words of Jesus
"I have given you a new commandment,
that you love one another as I have loved you."

4. Remember to keep our eyes on the goal. Illustr. Mon (as in basketball) ~~giving prize~~
There are many distractions.
the game of life.
5. Remember to say thank you to God and people. Illustr. Jesus and the ten lepers
6. Remember to show kindness to others
1. an encouraging word
2. Words thought but unexpressed never accomplish much.
like apples of Gold in pictures of Silver

Read. a tithing testimony

A Tithing Testimony

Many years ago a lad of sixteen was obliged to leave home because his father was too poor to support him any longer. So he trudged away with all his worldly possessions in a bundle dangling from his hand resolving, as he journeyed, to set up in business as a soapmaker in New York.

When the country boy arrived in the big city, he found it hard to get work. Remembering the last words of his mother and also the godly advice given him by the captain of a canal boat, the youth dedicated his life to God, determining to return to his Maker an honest tithe of every dollar he earned.

So, when his first dollar came in, the young man sacredly dedicated ten cents of it to the Lord. This he continued to do. And the dollars rolled in! Soon this young man became partner in a soap business; and when his partner died a few years later, he became sole owner of the concern.

The prosperous businessman now instructed his bookkeeper to open an account with the Lord and to credit to it one tenth of all his income. The business grew miraculously. The honest proprietor now dedicated two-tenths of his earnings; and then three-tenths, four-tenths; and finally, five-tenths. It seemed as if his sales increased in exact proportion to his generosity, so that soon his brand of soap became a household word throughout the world.

The late William Colgate was this man whom God so singly prospered in return for his faithfulness to His Maker. While this story is not written with the object of advertising Colgate products, it is related because it illustrates so well the blessings that accompany the faithful payment of an honest tithe.

Silvermow ⁷ Casting our care upon Jesus. 17-92

1 Peter 5: 6 - 11

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V 7 Casting all your care P 150
upon him; for he careth for you.
Song man with load on his back
you. Getting into a wagon.
Song Be not dismayed what-
ever be tried God will take care
of you. Beneath His wings of
love abide, God will take
care of you. God will take
care of you through every
day of all the way, He will
take care of you, God will
take care of you.

The problem of unanswered prayer
Song unanswered yet.

What time I am afraid I will
put my trust in the Lord. "P
I can do all things through
Christ which strengthens
me. Paul said

I V 6 Humble yourselves that he may
exalt you in due time.

God resisteth the proud but
giveth grace to the humble.

V 5. Joseph

Humility is of supreme import-
ance to God. The Lord chooses, bruises,
then He uses.

Peter says in Ch 3 a meek
a quiet spirit is of great
price. don't try to make a
show by wearing fancy clothes
and jewelry. These things don't
show real beauty but a humble
radiant spirit does. all the
outward adorning cannot make up for a lack
II You better watch ^{the hidden in me} of the heart.

✓ Be sober, vigilant because
the devil will get you if
you don't.

1. Watch how you spend your time.
 2. Watch what you feed your mind. you are what you eat.
 3. Watch your affections. ^{for me not the world}
- III Resist v 9. and be steadfast
Be ye steadfast unmovable
always abounding in the
work of the Lord.

Be thou faithful until
death and I will give
thee a crown of life

IV v10. The God of all grace
(after you have suffered awhile)
will make you perfect
stablish, strengthen, settle
you. His grace is sufficient for thee.

Heb. 2:10. For it became
him, for whom are all things
and by whom are all things
in bringing many sons unto
glory, to make the captain
of their salvation perfect
through sufferings.

Heb. 5:9 and being made
perfect, he became the author
of eternal salvation unto
all them that obey him.

Blunt. The crushing of the rose
of the making off a peal.
Mebeig fawngold.

or some afflictions are
accomplished in your gathering
that are in the world.

I'll understand and say well
done.
whom the Lord chooses
He uses; then He uses

M.T. May Livermore 3-15-97
5-31-89 I must and obey. M.T.
Script Readings. Proverbs 3:1-12
v 5 Trust in the Lord with
all their heart; and lean not
unto their own understanding
in all thy ways acknowledge
Him and He shall direct thy
paths.

Intro. It is so good to
find someone we can
trust. always faithful,
always friendly, always
ready to shore and help, always
ready to stay with us
through good times or bad.
One who always under-
stands one who knows and
shows us the way.
No other friend like Jesus.
Can we really trust Him?
Song: "He never has failed me yet"

I. Meet.

Ps. 125:1 They that trust in
the Lord shall be as mount
zion, which cannot be removed
but abideth forever.

as a hen conereth her
chicks. Book of Ruth of Moab
The wings of the almighty
are the strongest and safest of
all married Booz lineage of

Jesus.

Her son Obed, grandson
Jessie Greatgrandson Doved
the King.

as a shepherd with the
sheep Ps 23
must follow shepherd to be safe.
Goes before

good pasture
still water

protects from dangers.

safely in the fold.

The Shepherd giveth his
life for the sheep.

Obey Him.

The little chicken can
run away from the hen
Jesus Judas.

The sheep can leave
the shepherd. Then there
is no protection.

Trust and obey for there
no other way to be
happy in Jesus.

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The planting of the seed

S.R. John 12:23-26 6-68
Sept 1 24 Livermore Morgantown
May 24, 92.

Intro.

This is the planting season
the farmers are selecting
the seed. The seed must be planted on time
~~of no harvest~~ The Harvest is so important
It is the life of the world.
Without the sowing of the
seed starvation and death

The right kind of seed must
be sown. Corn 2.80 lb 5.60 lb to be
not less than 15 b. 80
A field left to itself will
only bring forth weeds
the lack of good seed sown
will bring destruction
and death.

B We are sowing everyday

1. Some of the harvest today is the result of poor seed.
2. We must sow in righteousness
If we don't work in

of the harvest of crime
greed, lawlessness and
murder. Need more workers to
sow in f.a.

¶ Jesus taught. How to sow good
seed.
And must die, I must
carry my cross, I must
sacrifice. Death to self - No Gethsemon
brought victory.

IX Del to self if you
wont to bring forth the
beautiful fruit.

Sowing in the morning
sowing seeds of kindness
Sowing bringing in the
sheaves. P. 219

Act 13:3

X Sowable of the sover field - 5-15
rock, thornes, fire
- woyde. "good ground
Continue sowing. Paul said: "I del daily"
"He that regardeth the
wind will not know
nor the clouds shall
not reap."

XI The time to sow is now - Jesus went everywhere
doing good even on the
cross.

XII V 26 If any man serve me
let him follow me.

(Now is the accepted time
Today is the day of salvation)

^{Livermore}
1-5-92 Noah and the Ark. M.T. Grosvenor

Script. Genesis 6:5-22 6-24-84
Takeaway lesson 5-2-89

Text v 8 Noah found grace in
the eyes of the Lord.

Ch 7: 11 and the Lord said unto Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the Ark. Intro. We are having lots
of water but nothing
else the flood of Noah's

time about 4000 years ago he lived
600 yrs before flood

I The great majority of other
people were wrong
v 5 Thoughts and imagination

✓ v 9. Noah was a just man
and perfect in his generations
and Noah walked with
God. 11 Best man on the whole
earth

v 11 The best thing that could
happen to us is like Noah
to find grace in the eyes
of the Lord.

II In Noah's time God gave
the warning and gave the
people 120 years to repent
spent 7 days in the Ark before a
deluge of water came God shut the door

Noah was a preacher of righteousness but had no converts except his family.

Important characteristics of Noah:

IV, He had faith that God would keep His word.

2. He worked at the job.

3. He never got weary of well doing.

He spent a whole year in the ark.

V His faithfulness paid

off. His family were all saved.

VI Because of his faithfulness he inhabited the whole earth.

VII Noah's faith and obedience preserved life on the earth.

and he was our great
grandfather.

~~The next time the Earth will~~
~~be destroyed by fire~~
~~I don't want to believe~~
~~then.~~
^{2 Peter 3:12}

as in the days of
Noah so shall it be
in the coming of Christ.
Come thou and all thy house
Song P. A 70 into the ark of
salvation through
Jesus Christ
will Jesus find us
watching

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Our Great Mission 73
Livermore 3-8-92 M.T. 1-7-75

Text: 1 Peter 2:9 M.T. 1-7-75
"But ye are a chosen generation,
a royal priesthood, a holy
nation, a peculiar people;
that ye should shew forth the
praises of him who hath
called you out of darkness
into his marvellous light."

Intra God chose Abraham
and the children of Israel
to tell the message of the
true God. God worked through
them to prove the truth
of this.

I Each generation has its call.
Ancient generations of Israel.
left Egypt = rejected
entered Canaan = accepted.

A. Any generation
American youth
music symbolizes

Jazz, little big Rock and Roll.

II an Holy nation
America said. Be ye holy for I am holy.
Freedom is Christian nation
"I AM THE WORSHIP
OF MY PEOPLE, WHICH ARE CALLED
BY MY NAME WILL HUMBLE."

III Royal priesthood

1. priest. moses intercession
for the people

IV Peculiar People

A. Dafford.

no other Gods

~~one other~~ love God and put him
first. — That Please

first
love God more than pleasure
money
property
fame or fame
talk different
go to different
places.

Self-pleasure

T. V.

Money

The world

Different from the world.
rain show

Keep the Lord's day
Wright Illust. Bell player - Billy Sunday.
Bro. Michael G. O'oday
attended prayer meeting.

Conclusion.

We have a divine mission. God is depending on us. We must not fail or souls will be lost.

a mrossadore. Witnesses
Jesus said, "Follow me and I will
make you fishers of men." Why, to shew forth
the praises of Him
who has called us into
His marvellous light

Sunday.

The gain of patient work.

Scripture Readings Clermontport 55
Hebrews 12: 1-4. Morgantown 64
Text set us men with patience Livermore 9-15-91 7-69
the race that is set before us.

1 Cor. 1: 12 But let patient have her perfect work.
Draw a heaven to gain and
a hell to shun.

This race is a life or death
Proposition. Ch. 11 tells of the great cloud of witnesses
Difficulties. The devil is
doing every thing to hinder
us.

1. to get our eyes off the
goal.
A put material things above
spiritual.
2. to get impatient. Let someone
else do it.

How are we to be patient
1 In faith. without faith it
is impossible to please
God.

All things are possible
to him that believeth
Ex. Noah, 120^{days}, David and Goliath

1. Define a Sentence
 2. Name the kinds of sentences and define them.
 3. Define the Subject of a sentence.
 4. Define the Predicate of a sentence.
 5. Define the Direct Object.
 6. What do we mean by natural order?
 7. What is a modifier?
 8. What is a Clause?
 9. What is a Phrase?

Paul: "I was not disobedient
unto the heavenly vision"
It sayed to be obedient

~~In time~~, 1 Cos: 13

~~Love never faileth~~
~~God so loved that he gave~~
~~In obedience, Better than sacrifice~~
If ye be willing and obedient
shall eat the good of the land.
~~But if not,~~
~~Soul failed to obey.~~

soul failed to obey.

5. In keeping our eyes on
the goal.
1 Peter 1:3-9

v 4 an inheritance incorruptible
reserved in heaven for you.

Conclusion. Gods not behind the
back not to the right hand
nor to the left. Be foolish
unto the coming of the
Lord. The promise of the
high calling in Christ is
just ahead.

The trials of the road will
seem nothing when we
get to the end of the way.
Well done thou good and
faithful servant.

Study of Nouns

1. Define a Noun.
2. Name and define the kinds of Nouns.
3. Name and define the kinds of Number.
4. Define Gender.
5. Name and define the kinds of Gender.
6. Define Case.
7. Name the kinds of Case.

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Jesus comes.

Cast thy bread upon
the water
sang by Dora Belladonna

With birds for dogs.

Peace beyond Understanding

MT. 1:23-53

Sapt Phil. 4: 1-13.

text v 7 The peace of God,
which passeth all understanding,
shall keep your hearts and minds
through Christ Jesus. 313

Intro. God wants us to have
peace. He is the Prince of
Peace. Without Him there
is no peace. There is no
peace with my God to the
wicked.

Ps 119: 165 "Great peace have they
which love thy law: and
nothing shall offend them."

Is. 26: 3, 4.
Thou wilt keep him in
perfect peace whose mind is
stayed on thee because
he trusteth in thee, trust
ye in the Lord forever, for
in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting
strength.

God gives us peace when we repent and believe the gospel. but there must be a daily walk with God to maintain this pos. Paul said to the Phil. stand fast in the Lord.

How to Stand fast and have peace

1. V 4 Rejoice in the Lord always. why? "the Lord is at hand."

2 V. 6 don't worry about everything. Take your burdens to the Lord and leave them there. "with thanksgiving."

3 Think the right kind of thoughts.

V. 8.

4. 13 I can do all things
through Christ ~~with~~^{which} strengthens
thee me.

5. It's easy to be fearful
Disciples on the Sea of
Galilee
perfect love casteth out
fear.

Trust in the Lord with
all thine heart and lean
not unto thine own under-
standing. In all thy ways
acknowledge Him and He shall
direct thy paths.

Christ's Standard of Greatness MT 4-76
Script. Matthew 20 M.T. 9-72
text V. 27

House Amarkham ^{four}
tony Belcher ^{Don}
Mark.

Intro. People are always
seeking to be great.
self seeking is out of place in the chapter
(Men believe greatness is getting
others to serve ~~you~~ them). Jesus
taught you must serve
~~grasping to man the corporal~~
others.

Men believe fortune is what
you can gain and hold. Only
Jesus taught what we
gain and hold we lose. What
we give away we have.

Slust. poor beggar quiet of
honor in heaven with abundant
3 men point to Kings and
presidents for greatness.

Jesus pointed to a little
child. Who is the greatest

Teachers expect their pupils
to learn from books.
to stand in respect
Jesus. Walked his pupils say.

4 Kings of earth sit on
throngs of splendor - royal
robes, scepters of gold,
Crowns of precious jewels.
Jesus accepted a ^{wooden} cross
for a throne, a reed for a
scepter. Thorns for a
crown, and hung in
shame and nakedness before
the crowd.

5 Mighty men of earth seek
Safety in guards and forts
Jesus spent nights in
the desert, ate with publicans
and sinners, and in homes of
the poor. Jesus quoted
His life by saying.

Conclusion
Who was right. Jesus
or others.

What has become of thy
palace where stood the big
kings. Where is the crown
closer worn?

Where are the Roman legions
upon which pilot depended?
Who stands in respect
when the name not one
of the teachers who
contradicted Jesus is spoken?

On the other hand
we find multitudes worship the
name of Jesus.

If his throne is secure
his scepter strong
his crown undiminished.

Jesus way of greatness
no one is great unless God
no one great unless useful
no one great unless myself
no one great unless Christlike