

Marks of a Local Body that Embodies
the **IMAGE** and **POWER** of God

Message Two



Monday PM, October 7, 2019 Pastor Mark Trotter

INTRODUCTION and REVIEW- "The Church, the Body of Christ." (Eph. 1:22-23)

- ◆ The Father " _____ " a " _____ " for the Lord Jesus Christ in the womb of a young Jewish maiden. (Heb. 10:5-7)
- ◆ Through Christ's individual, physical body, He was to...
 - Put the _____ of deity on display. (John 1:14)
 - _____ the world with the gospel. (Luke 19:10)
- ◆ In Acts 1:9, Christ ascended _____ back to His throne at the Father's right hand. (Heb. 10:12)
- ◆ As we continue on in the book of Acts, we find that God was in the midst of " _____ " ANOTHER " _____ " for the Lord Jesus Christ. (i.e. Another "BODY of CHRIST!")
 - It was the corporate, spiritual body, called, the " _____ ." (Eph. 1:22)
- ◆ Not only do we receive the same DESCRIPTION in terms of our _____, (the "Body of Christ)... We also receive the same _____ DESCRIPTION!
 - Put the _____ of deity on display. (Eph. 1:23)
 - _____ the world with the gospel. (Mark 16:15)
- ◆ The PREMISE of our evening studies:
 - However it is that God designed that we as the "Body of Christ," put Christ's ATTRIBUTES on DISPLAY, those things become that for which we must embrace an uncompromising _____.

PRIORITY #1:

Because Christ is the WORD of God (John 1:1, 14) ...

We must embrace an uncompromising priority on EXPOSITORY PREACHING.

TONIGHT'S MESSAGE - The 2nd and 3rd ATTRIBUTES and PRIORITIES of the Local Church

PRIORITY #2:

Because Christ is the _____ of God (Colossians 1:15) ...

We must embrace an uncompromising priority on _____.

- John 1:1 -
- John 1:14 -
- John 1:18 -
- Colossians 1:15 -
- Hebrews 1:3 -
- John 14:8-9 -

A Brief Biblical Overview Concerning the "IMAGE of God"

1. Man was _____ to _____ it. (Gen. 1:26)
2. Man had a very special _____ because he did. (Luke 3:38 - "_____ of God.")
3. Man _____ it in the _____. (Gen. 5:1-3; Rom. 5:12)
4. Jesus Christ came into the world _____ it. (Col. 1:15; Heb. 1:3)
5. Jesus Christ had a very special _____ because He did. (Luke 1:35 - "_____ of God.")
6. Jesus Christ came to RESTORE to MAN the _____ of God that was LOST in the _____.
(Luke 19:10; John 1:11-12)
7. Jesus Christ _____ us to do the same. (Matt. 28:18-20; John 15:16)

"MARKS OF A LOCAL BODY THAT EMBODIES THE WORD OF GOD"

In a local body that embodies the Word of God...

1. EVERY PERSON IS ACTIVELY PURSUING BEING _____ TO THE _____ OF THE LORD.

- Romans 8:29 -
- 1 John 4:17 -
- 1 John 2:6 -
- 1 John 3:1-3 -
- 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1 -

In a local body that embodies the Word of God...

2. EVERY PERSON IS AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN CARRYING OUT THE _____ OF THE LORD.

- A. The "work of the Lord" is the _____ the _____ did when He was here working.
- John 4:34 - "My meat is... to _____ His (the Father's) _____."
 - John 17:4 - "**I have** _____ the _____ which Thou (the Father) gavest me to do."

Note: Jesus had FINISHED the WORK of _____ !

B. The "work of the Lord" involves three things:

1. _____ (John 17:6 - "**I have** manifested thy name.")

EVANGELISM is the _____ of the gospel that results in a person having RESTORED to them the IMAGE of God that was LOST in the FALL.

2. _____ (John 17:8 - "**I have** given them the _____.")

EDIFICATION is the _____ of BUILDING the WORD of GOD into a disciple's life that results in their SPIRITUAL MATURITY.

3. _____ (John 17:18 - "**I have** _____ them...into the world.")

EQUIPPING is the _____ of a disciple that results in their being _____ into the world for the purpose of REPRODUCING REPRODUCERS (i.e. "making disciples")

PRIORITY #3:

Because Christ is the _____ of God (Romans 1:16) ...

We must embrace an uncompromising priority on _____.

◆ **The Manifestation of the POWER of God in the Individual, Physical BODY of CHRIST**

- Luke 1:30-35 -
- 1 Corinthians 1:24 -
- Acts 10:38 -
- Hebrews 2:14 -
- John 10:18 -
- Romans 1:4 -
- Romans 1:16 -
- 1 Corinthians 1:18 -
- 1 Thessalonians 1:5 -

◆ **The Manifestation of the POWER of God in the Corporate, Spiritual BODY of CHRIST**

- Ephesians 1:18-19 -
- Ephesians 3:20-21 -
- 2 Corinthians 4:3-7 -
- Acts 1:8 -

"MARKS OF A LOCAL BODY THAT EMBODIES THE POWER OF GOD"

In a local body that embodies the Power of God...

1. EVERY PERSON _____ THE _____ OF OUR MISSION.

- Luke 2:9-10 -
- Luke 2:25-31 -
- John 1:22-23, 29 -
- John 4:29, 39-42 -
- 1 John 2:1-2 -
- Mark 16:15 -
- Matthew 28:19-20 -

In a local body that embodies the Power of God...

2. EVERY PERSON _____ THE _____ FOR OUR MISSION.

▲ *I fully embrace the fact that I am a _____.* (1 Thessalonians 2:4)

▲ *I fully embrace the fact that I am a _____.* (Romans 1:14-15)

▲ *I fully embrace the fact that I am a _____.* (Ezekiel 33:1-7)

In a local body that embodies the Power of God...

3. EVERY PERSON _____ THE _____ OF OUR MISSION.

In a local body that embodies the Power of God...

4. EVERY PERSON _____ THE _____ OF OUR MISSION.

In a local body that embodies the Power of God...

5. EVERY PERSON _____ UPON OUR _____ FOR OUR MISSION.