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- The pain of the truth moves some people to obey the Lord; it causes others to turn from Him in anger, but can they find salvation elsewhere?
- John 6:60-61, 66-69

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- I am a servant of Jesus Christ preaching for the Tomlinson Run Church of Christ. Why in the Church of Christ?
 - Matthew 16:16-18 - He would build his Church.
 - How many?
 - 1Cor. 14:33 - “God is not the author of confusion.”
 - Is religious division confusing?
 - 1Cor. 1:10 - Do not be divided.
 - Does God like division?
 - Eph. 4:4, 1:22-23; Col. 1:18
 - How many churches is Christ the head of?
- There is one that is pleasing to God. Since the Bible mandates that, let it also teach us which one.

Jesus Christ Is Its Foundation

- Isaiah 28:16 - “Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, I lay in Zion a stone for a foundation, A tried stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation; Whoever believes will not act hastily.”
 - Matt. 16:18 - Christ is that rock.
 - It is not built on anything else.
- 1Cor. 3:11; Eph. 2:20
 - Jesus is not the founder of any earthly organization created and led by men.

Jesus Christ Gave Us Its Creed

- Matt. 17:5 - “Hear ye him.”
- Heb. 1:-12, 13:8
 - A perfect creed; doesn't need changed.
- 2John 9-11; Romans 16:17; Prov. 6:19
 - Only acceptable creed.
- If a creed has more than the Bible, it has too much; if it has less, it doesn't have enough.

Jesus Christ Is Its Head

- Eph. 1:22-23; Col. 1:18; Matt. 28:18, Col. 3:17
 - Christ died for it - Eph. 5:25,
 - He purchased it with his blood - Acts 20:28,
 - He has all authority over it - Col. 1:18,
 - His doctrine must be taught in it - 2John 9,
 - He is the foundation - 1Cor. 3:11...
- ...Then whose name should it wear?

Jesus Christ Gave It His Name

- Isaiah 65:15, 56:5; Amos 9:11-12; Prov. 22:1
- A Good Name for God's people:
 - Acts 11:26, 26:28; 1Peter 4:16; Acts 4:12
- A bride wears her husband's name. The church is the bride of Christ.
 - Eph. 5:23
- It is sinful to wear any other name than what we have been baptized into. Into whom are we baptized?
 - 1Cor. 1:12-13
- If it is Christ's Church, whose name should it wear?

The Church Of Christ Practices What God's Word Commands On Baptism.

- Matt. 28:18-20 - Christ demands it.
- Mark 16:16 - Christ says it saves.
- Acts 2:38 - It is in the name of Christ, and it removes sin.
- Romans 6:3-5; Colossians 2:11-12 - It is a burial or immersion.
- Acts 22:16 - It is calling on the name of the Lord to wash away sin.

The Church Of Christ Practices Truth On The Lord's Supper

- Purpose - 1Cor. 11:23-29
- Day - Acts 20:7
- Frequency - 1Cor. 16:1-2

The Church Of Christ Is United By Truth

- John 17:20-21 - God's basis for unity
- Eph. 4:1-6; 1Cor. 1:10
 - How are we united? By speaking the same thing.
- John 12:48-49; James 1:25; 1John 5:13, 19-20; Matt. 11:25; Gal. 1:6-10
 - United by truth, not in diversity.

The Church Of Christ Is Not A Denomination Of Men

- Matthew 15:13, 7:21-23
- John 6:67-69

**I believe Jesus Christ is the
Son of God, and I want to be
part of the Church He
promised to build.**

What about you?