

# Pleasant Valley Weekly

But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy; In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple. (Psalm 47 : 6—7)

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## What does the church of Christ teach on...?

Have you ever been asked this question? Personally, I don't like this question. The question is unfair. By asking this question people are turning the church into a denomination. Let me show you how:

“What does the Methodist Church teach on...Presbyterian... Baptist...Catholic...etc.”

All of these are denominations. Therefore, people are asking what is the denominational doctrine of these “churches”.

When we are asked what does the church of Christ teach, we are being asked what is the denomination doctrine of the church of Christ on a certain subject. This is an improper question.

When we answer this question, we do the church and Christ a huge disservice. We acknowledge that the Church, which is the people, teach something. When in reality we don't.

The correct question is – “What does the Bible teach?” That is a question worth answering. When we answer this question, we put the “teaching” or “doctrine” on God, not on us.

We need to be careful how we answer questions. We need to emphasize that God teaches, we only listen and follow.

## What does the church of Christ teach on...?

- \* “What does the Church teach?

Nothing—we the people do not teach.

God teaches, and we listen and follow.

- \* Homosexuality

Leviticus 18 : 22—23

It is condemned by God

- \* Marriage, Divorce, Re-marriage

Matthew 5 : 31—32; 19 : 3—6

An incorrect marriage—Adultery

Divorce with undo cause—Adultery

- \* Drinking, Partying, Drugs, and the like

Revelry—a work of the flesh

Drinking Parties—a way we used to walk

- \* Heaven / Hell

They are eternal and they do indeed exist

- \* God / Satan

They exist—God does indeed defeat Satan

- \* Who's going to Heaven

There is only one Church, established by Christ.

To go to Heaven you must be apart of it.