The Last Days *The Last Day's Church* Pastor Beck Payne August 18th, 2020

One of the greatest privileges of being a believer is our adoption into the family of God, giving us the great privilege of being a part of the Body and Bride of Jesus Christ - <u>the Church.</u>

- The Church is the central figure within the Kingdom of God.
- The Church is the visible representation of Jesus Christ here on earth!

Scriptures: Acts 20:28

Ephesians 3:1-11

Five Truths about Christ and His Church

- 1. Christ <u>died</u> for His Church.
- 2. Christ is the <u>Head of His Church.</u>
- 3. Christ is <u>coming back</u> for His Church.
- 4. Christ <u>continues His work</u> through the mission of the Church.

a. Scripture: John 14:12-17

 Christ is the Holy Spirit Baptizer from whom the Church receives her <u>power.</u> <mark>Scriptures:</mark>

Luke 24: 44-49

<mark>Acts 1:1-4, 8;</mark>

Acts 2:1-4

The Last Days Church is to be a <u>Holy Spirit-Empowered Church</u>.

A Holy Spirit-Empowered Church is a place:

- Upon whom the Holy Spirit has <u>breathed.</u>
- Is full of <u>transformed</u> believers of Jesus Christ.

o Scripture: I. Corinthians 4:20

• Where the Holy Spirit is producing <u>fruit</u> in the lives of the believer.

o Scripture: Galatians 5:22-23

- Whose members are walking in <u>holiness and the fear of God.</u>
- Whose members are fully <u>devoted</u> as they are <u>developing</u>.
- Is a <u>covenant community</u>.

o Scriptures Acts 2:41-47

Acts 4:32-37

- Is a place where the <u>Gospel</u> is preached, disciples are <u>made</u>, and God's people are equipped to be actively involved in the <u>ministry</u> <u>and mission</u> of the church.
 - o Scripture: Ephesians 4:7-16
 - A. Gospel is <u>preached.</u>
 - B. Disciples <u>are made.</u>
 - C. God's <u>people are equipped.</u>
 - D. where the gifts of the Holy Spirit are functioning.
 - E. that is unified in <u>thought, purpose, and vision</u>.
 - F. that is spiritually <u>bold.</u>
 - G. whose members will definitely <u>anticipate and endure</u> <u>persecution</u>.

The Holy Spirit is who empowers the Church to "<u>be" and "do</u>" what the Church is to "<u>become and accomplish"</u>!

Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14