CHRISTIAN STUDENTS

DEFINED BY GOD

For we are His masterpiece, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand in order that we would walk in them. - Ephesians 2:10

Week 11: _____

Definition: _____

I. When is the first time the word "church" is mentioned in the Bible?

A. _____ – "And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it."

B. Matthew 18:17 – "And if he refuses to hear them, tell it to the church."

II. What does the Bible say the church is?

A. EK – _____

B. KLESIA – _____

C. EKKLESIA – _____

III. What is God's evaluation of the church?

A. In His heart from the eternity past

Ephesians 3:9-10 – And to enlighten all that they may see what the economy of the mystery is, which throughout the ages has been hidden in God, who created all things. **10** In order that now to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenlies the multifarious wisdom of God might be made known through the church.

B. Something He shed His blood for

Acts 20:28 – …the church of God, which He obtained through His own blood.

Ephesians 5:25 – Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her.

IV. What is God doing on the earth today?

A. Assembling the believers as the church

Hebrews 10:25 – Not abandoning our own assembling together, as the custom with some is, but exhorting one another; and so much the more as you see the day drawing near.