THE CHURCH 34

MATTHEW 16:17

17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

MATTHEW 16:18

18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my ***CHURCH**; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

<u>CHURCH</u>: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1577 ekklesia {ek-klay-see'-ah} a gathering of citizens called out from their homes into some public place; an assembly

in a Christian sense, an assembly of Christians gathered for worship in a religious meeting

EPHESIANS 3:20

20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

EPHESIANS 3:21

21 Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

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EPHESIANS 1:22

22 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to **the church**,

EPHESIANS 1:23

23 Which is his body, the ***FULNESS** of him that filleth all in all.

FULNESS: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4138 pleroma {play'-ro-mah} that which is (has been) filled: a ship inasmuch as it is filled (i.e. manned) with sailors, rowers, and soldiers;

in the NT, the body of believers, as that which is filled with the presence, power, agency, riches of God and of Christ

EPHESIANS 3:9

9 And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

EPHESIANS 3:10

10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

I PETER 1:12

12 Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.

EPHESIANS 3:10

10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

EPHESIANS 3:11

11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

HEBREWS 4:8

8 For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day.

HEBREWS 4:9

9 There remaineth therefore a rest to **the people of God.**

HEBREWS 11:24

24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

HEBREWS 11:25

25 Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;

I PETER 2:9

9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

I PETER 2:10

10 Which in time past were not a people, but are **now the people of God**: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

PEOPLE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2992 laos {lah-os'}

people group, tribe, nation, all those who are of the same stock and language

ROMANS 9:21

21 Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?

ROMANS 9:22

22 What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction:

ROMANS 9:23

23 And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory,

ROMANS 9:24

24 Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

ROMANS 9:25

25 ¶ As he saith also in Osee, I will call them my people, which were not my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved.

ROMANS 9:26

26 And it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people; there shall they be called **the children of the living God.**