

WHAT IS GOD DOING TODAY?

I. What God Is Doing in the World Today? (Eph. 3:1-10; 2:8-9; 5:27)

A. What is the Church? (Matthew 16:13-23)

1. The **meaning** of ekklesia or “church” is _____
_____.

Used generally....

Used technically...

2. The **Foundation** of the Church is _____, as he provided the basis of the building of the church through His _____ on Calvary! (Acts 20:28, 1 Cor 3:11)

- Who is not the Rock in Mt 16:18?

3. The **Builder** of the church is the _____.

- What happens when we forget this?

4. The **beginning** of the church would be _____ from Mt 16:18.

*What does this indicate? When did it begin?

5. The **owner** of the church is _____.

- Why is this important to remember?

6. The **durability** of the church is seen by the fact that the _____.

- How are we to understand this?

B. What the “Church” is Not

1. The “church” never refers to a _____.

- Why?

2. The “church” never refers to a _____.

- Why?

3. The “church” is not different name for _____, nor has it permanently
_____ Israel.

- Why?

4. The “church” is not synonymous with the _____.

- Why?

5. The “church” is not synonymous with _____.

- Why?

6. The “church” is not synonymous with a _____.

- Does the church matter to Jesus Christ?

- Does the church matter to you?