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Giving **Our Best** to The One Who Gave His All!



Theme for 2016



It's All About JESUS!!!

Verse for the Month

Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. *Matthew 16:16-18* (*NKJV*)

A church built on the Rock!

- Who or what does the Rock represent?
- Qualities of a Church built on the Rock:
- 1. A Born-Again Church
- 2. A Bible-Centered Church
- 3. A Spirit-filled Church
- **4.** A Praying Church
- 5. A "Contagious" Church

What is a Born-Again Church?

- It is a church that understands the doctrine of the new birth;
- It is a church in which all of its members function in their God-given role (gifts);
- It is a church that lives out the commandments of Christ.

The Doctrine of the New Birth

- It is a spiritual birth (John 3:1-8);
- It is based on grace and not works (Ephesians 2:8-10);
- It can only be experienced through faith in Jesus Christ (Acts 4:12)

All members function in their gift(s)

For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them...

Romans 12:4-6a(NKJV)

It lives out the commandments of Christ Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Matthew 22:37-39 (*NKJV*)

Jesus Saves! Ask Him into Your Life today

