

"Temple of God"

What do you mean when you "go to church?"

Is it a building?

Is it a name on a sign?

Is it an activity?

To go to church always requires people!

What kind of people is the church to be?

We are the "temple of God"

We are built with carefully laid plans

The church is God's idea

The church is God's project

The church is God's investment

We are built with purposefully selected materials

God chooses us as we are

God transforms us into something useful

God uses us according to his will

We are built with perfectly skilled construction

The foundation is absolutely solid

The craftsmanship is meticulously precise

The progress is always timely

We are built for a divinely present resident

God is present here

God is host here

God is comfortable here

We are built to be continuously kept holy

Holy means we are unified

Holy means we are loving

Holy means we are Christ-like

What kind of temple is God building through me?

Matthew 16:15-19

15 "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"

16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven.

18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

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Ephesians 2:11-13

19 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. 21 In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. 22 And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

1 Corinthians 3:16-17

16 Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit lives in you? 17 If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him; for God's temple is sacred, and you are that temple.

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