

P.M. OUTLINE  
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NAMES FOR US (CHURCH) continued

INTRODUCTION

**Review:** Biblically, there is not one "official name" used for the N.T. church.

Previous lessons noted: (Acts 9:1) "this way" (Acts 2:47) "the church" (Romans 16:16) "churches of Christ" (1 Cor. 1:2) "the church of God" (Hebrews 12:23) "church of the firstborn" (Colossians 1:13) "the kingdom of the Son of His love"

**1. FLOCK OF GOD** - (1 Peter 5:1-4) "the elders who are among you ... shepherd the **flock of God** which is among you ... examples to **the flock** ... and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away"

(Acts 20:28-30) "... and to all **the flock** ... to shepherd the **church of God** ... the **flock** ... "

(Luke 12:32) "Do not fear, **little flock**, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you **the kingdom**" Also in (John 10:11 and v16)

O.T. references: (Psalm 23:1; Micah 7:14; Ezekiel 34:11, v15, v22, v31)

**2. ISRAEL OF GOD** - (Galatians 6:16) "... and upon **the Israel of God**"

Other words in the text help us to understand this phrase: "in Christ Jesus"  
"neither circumcision nor un-circumcision" "but a new creation"  
"as many as walk according to this rule"

Similar topic is noted in: (Romans 2:28-29; Philippians 3:2-3; Galatians 3:7)

**3. BODY** - (Colossians 1:18) "And he is the head of **the body, the church**"

(Ephesians 1:22-23) "... head over all things to **the church, which is His body**"  
(3:6) "... be fellow-heirs, of **the same body** ... " (4:11-13) "of **the body of Christ**"  
(5:23-24) "also Christ is head of **the church**, and He is the savior of **the body**.  
Therefore, just as **the church** is subject to Christ ... "

(Romans 12:4-6) "For as we have many members in **one body** ... " see (Eph. 4:4)

(1 Corinthians 12:12-27) read it!

**4. PEOPLE OF GOD** - (1 Peter 2:9-10) "... **His own special people** ...  
once were not a people but **are now the people of God** ... obtained mercy"

"called out of darkness" - (2 Thess. 2:14 and Col. 1:13)

"proclaim the praises of Him" - (Hebrews 13:15-16 and Psalm 107:2)

**NEXT WEEK:** the bride of Christ; the house of God; vineyard