



More than one church? Not a personal defense. 1 Peter 3:15 Not purpose to defend where I worship. Not purpose to identify. Qualities and Characteristics. Provoke study. Some arguments are inconsistent. Some illogical. Contradict the Bible. Mety Galbury 12/16/2018 2

If the Lord built more than one church

Then ... the text of Matthew 16:13-20 is grammatically incorrect.

"And I also say unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it." (Matthew 16:18)

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■ Then ... He approves of all of them.

—Yet, there are some things the Father did not plant. Matthew 15:7-13; Hebrews 8:2

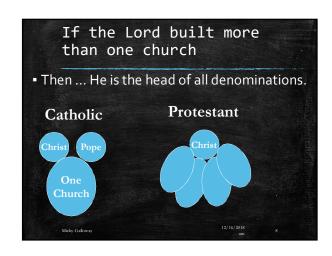
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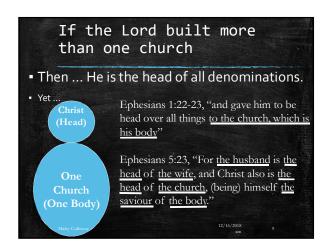
Then ... God is self-contradictory.

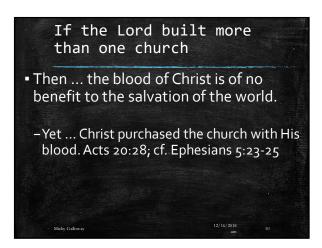
-Yet, God is not the author of confusion. 1 Corinthians 14:33

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Then ... He built something that He prayed against.

-Yet ... Jesus prayed for unity among believers. John 17:20ff; cf. 1 Corinthians 1:10

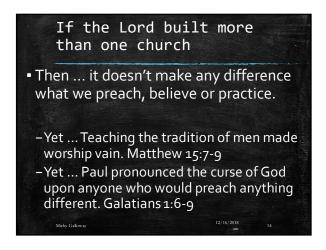
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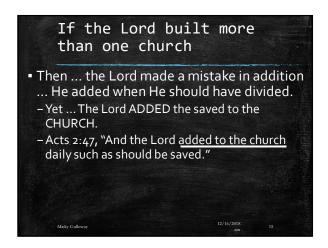
Then ... no one could be a member of any one of them on the basis of conviction ... i.e. "I belong to this one because it is right."

-Yet ... conviction is commanded. 1 Peter 3:15

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If the Lord built more than one church Then ... Christ would have the same spiritual relationship to all of them. (He would be a spiritual polygamist.) -Yet ... the church is the bride of Christ. Ephesians 5:23ff; Romans 7:1-4; 2 Corinthians 11:2; cf. Isaiah 54:5





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