

# Like A Church

(Matthew 16:13-20)

- Introduction:
1. Church means a lot of things to a lot of people.
  2. Some have been disillusioned by what they experienced at church.
  3. Of course, for others, church has been a place of reconciliation.
  4. But like any organization, we must from time to time make sure we are continuing to be what we set out to be.
  5. What if we were...

## I. Like A New Church

- A. Would we not have great evangelistic zeal?
- B. (John 1:39, 46).
- C. (John 4:29).
- D. (Acts 2:46).

## II. Like A Persecuted Church

- A. Would we not have a heightened sense of unity, love, and determination?
- B. (Acts 13:50-52).
- C. (Acts 14:19-22).

## III. Like A Church Among The Destitute

- A. Would we not be compassionate and minister to the needs of people?
- B. (Acts 2:44-45).
- C. (Luke 10:25-37).

- Conclusion:
1. To be the church that Jesus wants us to be, we must strive to possess...
    - a. The Zeal of a New Church.
    - b. The Unity of a Persecuted Church.
    - c. The Compassion of a Church among the Destitute.