

Identity Theft

Will the Real Christian, Please Stand Up?

(Acts 11:26)

- Introduction:
1. The term “Christian” is almost universally recognized today.
 2. However, very few people truly understand what a Christian is.
 3. Many people even claim this title for themselves, when in reality they are not a Christian.
 4. This lesson will identify a Christian by a few characteristics.

I. One Like Christ – Imitation

- A. (1 Peter 2:21) leaving us an example that we should follow in his steps...
- B. (1 Corinthians 11:1) Be a follower of me...
- C. (Galatians 2:20) Christ lives in me...

II. One In Christ – Location

- A. (Galatians 3:26-27).
 1. What? — Sons of God.
 2. How? — By (the) faith.
 3. Where — In Christ Jesus
 4. When? — For as many as have been baptized...have put on Christ.
- B. (Romans 6:3).
- C. Ills. Flood and Ark (Gen. 6-8); Passover and houses with blood (Ex. 12).

III. One For Christ – Vocation

- A. Vocation refers to our occupation.
- B. A Christian is one who lives and works for Christ.
- C. (2 Timothy 2:1-6) A steward, a soldier, an athlete, a farmer

IV. One With Christ – Destination

- A. We are with Christ now (Matthew 28:19-20) and we will be with him forever.
- B. (John 14:1-3).
- C. (1 Corinthians 4:1).

- Conclusion:
1. There are many thoughts about just who a Christian is, but put aside the thinking of men, and allow the word of God to answer that question.
 2. A Christian can be identified by his imitation, location, vocation, and destination.
 3. Are you a Christian?
 4. Do you have the right to wear the name of Christ (1 Corinthians 1:13)?