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into the boats
of our lives
during Covid-19
Pandemic

Mark 4:35-40

That day when evening came, He said to His disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." ³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took Him along, just as He was, in the boat. There were also other boats with Him. ³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. ³⁸ Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion.



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The disciples woke Him and said to Him, “Teacher, don’t you care if we drown?”

³⁹ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Quiet! Be still!” Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

⁴⁰ He said to His disciples, “Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?”





Joshua 5:11-12

The day after the Passover, that very day, they ate some of the produce of the land: unleavened bread and roasted grain.

¹² The manna stopped the day after they ate this food from the land; there was no longer any manna for the Israelites, but that year they ate the produce of Canaan.



3 Main Points

1) What is the Church?

2) Character of His Church

**3) His Promise &
Empowering of His Church**



What is the Church?

**'EKKLESIA' – an assembly of believers/
a community/a called out people
It is not a physical building**

Col 4:15

Give my greetings to the brothers and sisters at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house.



1Cor 16:19

The churches in the province of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscilla greet you warmly in the Lord, and so does the church that meets at their house.



1 Cor 1:2

To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be His holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours:



1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen people,
a royal priesthood, a holy nation,
God's special possession, that you may declare
the praises of Him who called you
out of darkness into His wonderful light.

¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are
the people of God; once you had not received
mercy, but now you have received mercy.



Eph 1:22-23

²² And God placed all things under His feet and appointed Him to be head over everything for the church,
²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills everything in every way.



Character of His Church

(So What Kind of Church should we be?)

Christlikeness

What is one word to describe Christlikeness?

What is the central focus of His church?

Love God, Love people

Phil 2:5-11



Lessons from Early Christians (Acts 2:46-47)

⁴⁶ Every day they continued to **meet together** in **the temple** courts. They **broke bread** in their homes and ate together with **glad and sincere hearts**,

⁴⁷ **praising God** and. And the **Lord** added to enjoying the favor of all the people their number daily those who were being saved.

2 Samuel 21:15-16

- ¹⁵ Once again there was a battle between the Philistines and Israel. David went down with his men to fight against the Philistines, and he became exhausted.
- ¹⁶ And Ishbi-Benob, one of the descendants of Rapha, whose bronze spearhead weighed three hundred shekels and who was armed with a new sword, said he would kill David.
- ¹⁷ But Abishai son of Zeruah came to David's rescue; he struck the Philistine down and killed him.





Practical Ways to Demonstrate Christlikeness

- Meet together
- Built together
- Living together
- Serving together





Serving Others/Job Placement/Raising Medical Funds/Networking/Provide Accommodations







His Promise and the Empowering of His Church

Matthew 16:18-19

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. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”
