

## Notes

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### Part One What does 'Christian' mean?

Cover photo... Eph. 4:14

1. The word Christian used as a noun, meaning a disciple or believer, comes in Acts 11:21-26.
1. Jesus on love... John 15:9-17 etc.
2. Jesus on giving... Luke 6:30, 38.
3. Christian book... My uncle believed that Jesus dictated the contents of Matthew's Gospel to Matthew; if so, that would make Matthew's Gospel a Christian book. I am not aware of anyone else who thought the same way.
5. Temple thrown down... Matt. 24:1-2.
5. King David's site for the temple... 1 Chron. 22:1.
7. Torture... Galileo's Daughter, D. Sobel, Fourth Estate, London, 2000, p.282. The practice of punishing heretics may have cited 1 Cor. 5:4-5, a passage whose meaning is not agreed by scholars.
8. Uniqueness of Jesus... Col. 1:18.
9. Baptise new converts... Matt. 28:19.
9. Christian marriage... Matt. 19:4-12.
9. Dead are being raised... Matt. 11:5.
9. Dead child raised... Mark 5:35-43, Luke 8:52-55.
9. Widow's only son raised... Luke 7:14-15.
9. Lazarus raised... John 11:43-44.
9. Leave the dead... Luke 9:60.
9. Apostles to raise the dead... Matt. 10:7-8.
11. On raising the hopes of relatives, see 2 Kings 4:16 & 28.
12. Wind and waves calmed... Mark 4:39.
12. Crazy man transformed... Mark 5:15.
12. Five thousand fed... Mark 6:38-42.
12. Impossible with men... Luke 18:27.
13. Sick healed by prayer... Acts 5:12-16.
13. Miracles done by believers... 1 Cor. 12:10.
14. Athenians scoff... Acts 17:32.
15. Last enemy to be overcome... 1 Cor. 15:26.
16. Nothing impossible with God... Mark 10:27.
16. Foolishness not a setback... 1 Cor. 1:27.
16. Universe made by words... Gen. 1:3.
16. Birth of Isaac... Gen. 18:10-12.
16. Birth of Jacob and Esau... Gen. 25:21.

16. Birth of Joseph... Gen. 30:1, 22-23.
16. Sea like a wall... Exod. 14:22
16. Rock producing water... Exod. 17:6.
16. Sun standing still for a day... Josh. 10:12-14.
16. Poor level of faith... Matt. 14:31.
17. Jesus head of the church... Eph. 5:23.
19. Precise statement of Jesus' wishes... Matt. 5:37, 1 Cor. 3:10-11.
19. Seek first the kingdom of God... Matt. 6:33. Hudson Taylor, A nineteenth century missionary to China, once said "Depend upon it, God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supplies (Hudson Taylor and the China Inland Mission, Dr. & Mrs. Howard Taylor, Morgan & Scott, London, 1919, p42)." See also Hag. 1:5-7, Mal. 3:8-12.
20. Jesus quoted Scriptures... Matt. 22:29-32.
20. Jesus opened their minds... Luke 24:32.
21. Jesus spoke in parables... Matt. 13:34.
21. Joshua meditated on the law... Josh. 1:7-8.
22. C. T. Studd Cricketer and Pioneer, Norman P. Grubb, Lutterworth, London, 1970, p221.
23. Prophets who steal God's words... Jer. 23:30.
25. The woman and worship... John 4.
26. Worship in Spirit and Truth... John 4:23-24.
27. Adultery, burglary... Exod. 20:14-15.
28. Hebrew '*abad* ... Exod. 1:14 work, Exod. 10:8, 11 worship (NIV). The Authorised Version had "serve" throughout, but rendered "worshippers" of Baal in 2 Kings 10:19-23.
29. Greek *latreia* (serve/worship)... Romans 12:1.
29. With the lips only... Mark 7:6-7.
31. End to death... Revln. 21:4.
31. Singing in heaven... Revln chs 4 & 19.
32. Praying early... Mark 1:35.
32. Praying all night before choosing the twelve... Luke 6:12.
32. Lord's prayer... Luke 11:1-4.
32. Don't babble on in prayer... Matt. 6:7.
32. Persist in prayer... Luke 18:1.
32. Demon cast out by prayer... Mark 9:29.
33. Foxes have holes... Matt. 8:20.
33. Parables always... Matt 13:34.
33. The disciples' bag... John 12:6.
33. Temple tax... Matt. 17:27.
34. Follow in Jesus' steps... 1 Peter 2:21.
34. Kingdom of God not eating and drinking... Romans 14:17.
36. Sung a hymn... Mark 14:26.
36. Twelve to cast out demons... Matt. 10:7-8.
37. Seventy also... Luke 10:17.
37. Legion... Mark 5.
38. Nothing impossible... Mark 11:23.

39. Demons in the gospels... esp. Matt 10:1, Luke 9:1 & 10:17.

## Part Two What is a Church?

- 43. Take bread and wine... Luke 22:17-20.
- 43. ... regularly... 1 Cor. 11:24-25.
- 44. Heal the sick... Matt. 10:8.
- 44. Pray for kings... 1 Tim. 2:1-2.
- 46. Filling bottles with water... J.R.W. Stott, Christian Union seminar, Cambridge, c.1972.
- 48. Tell it to the church... Matt. 18:15-17.
- 48. I will build my church... Matt. 16:18.
- 49. City-gate under siege... See the siege of Gondor (J.R.R. Tolkien, The Lord of the Rings, Book five, Chapter four).
- 50. Set the captives free... Luke 4:18-19.
- 50. As the father sent me... John 20:21.
- 50. Meeting at the gate... Deut. 21:19.
- 52. If you love me... John 14:15.
- 52. Jesus on hell... Matt. 5:30, 18:8.
- 52. Jesus on eternal punishment... Matt. 25:46.
- 53. Life to the full... John 10:10.
- 54. All we like sheep... Isaiah 53:6.
- 56. Baptise them... Matt. 28:19 was the only instance I could find.

## Part Three What is Christian Teaching?

- 57. Church as an army... Matt. 16:18 presumably.
- 57. As a temple... 1 Peter 2:5.
- 57. As a bride... Eph. 5:22-33.
- 57. As a body... Col. 1:24.
- 57. Gentiles grafted in... Romans 11:17-24.
- 57. As a family... Gal. 6:10.
- 58. Slay the wicked!.. Psalm 139:19.
- 59. God's word to prophets... Hebrews 1:1-2 (NEB).
- 59. Holy Spirit teach them... John 14:26.
- 60. Love one another... John 13:34.
- 60. Love your enemies... Luke 6:27.
- 60. Love one another... 1 Peter 1:22.
- 61. David R. Wilkerson with Elizabeth Sherrill, The Cross and the Switchblade, Pyramid Books, New York, 1966. Film released 1972, 105 mins, PG.
- 61. Den of thieves... Matt. 21:13.
- 61. Cave of Adullam... 1 Sam. 22:1-2.
- 62. They all spoke in tongues... Acts 2:4, 10:46, 19:6.
- 62. Paul spoke in tongues... 1 Cor. 4:18.

- 63. Paul cast down strongholds... 2 Cor. 10:4.
- 63. Prince of Persia... Daniel 10:13.
- 64. Come to grief... 1 Timothy 6:3-10.
- 64. Jesus' closing words... Matt. 28:20.

66-76 Parallel passages in the list of commands :

- 1) Mark 1:15.
- 2) Matt. 8:22, 9:9, Mark 1:17, 2:14, Luke 5:27, 9:59, John 1:43, 21:19 & 22.
- 3) Luke 6:23.
- 9) Matt. 18:9.
- 10) Matt. 18:8.
- 13) Luke 6:30.
- 14) & 15) Luke 6:29.
- 19) Luke 6:28.
- 27) Luke 11:2.
- 31) Luke 16:13.
- 32) Luke 12:22, 29.
- 33) Luke 12:31.
- 35) Luke 6:37.
- 36) Luke 6:42.
- 38) Luke 11:9.
- 39) Luke 6:31.
- 45) Luke 10:3.
- 46) & 47) Luke 10:9.
- 52) Mark 6:8, Luke 9:3, 10:4.
- 54) Luke 9:4, 10:7.
- 55) Luke 10:5.
- 56) Luke 9:5, 10:10.
- 59) Luke 12:11, 21:14.
- 63) & 64) Luke 12:4-5.
- 65) Mark 13:11, Luke 12:7 & 32.
- 67) Mark 4:3.
- 68) Mark 4: 9 & 23, Luke 8:8, 14:35.
- 69) Mark 6:37, Luke 9:13.
- 71) Mark 6:50, John 10:20.
- 73) Mark 8:15, Luke 12:1.
- 74) Mark 8:33.
- 76) Mark 8:30, 9:9, Luke 9:21.
- 79) Luke 17:3.
- 83) Luke 18:16.
- 84) Luke 22:26.
- 85) Mark 11:2, Luke 19:30-31.
- 86) Mark 13:5, Luke 21:8.
- 87) Luke 21:9.
- 88) Mark 13:14-16, Luke 17:31, 21:21.
- 89) Mark 13:18.

- 90) Mark 13:21, Luke 17:23.
- 91) Mark 13:28, Luke 21:29.
- 92) Mark 13:9, 13:23, Be alert 13:37, Watch! Luke 21:36.
- 93) Luke 12:39.
- 94) Mark 17:35, Luke 12:40.
- 95) Mark 14:13-15, Luke 22:8-12.
- 96) Mark 14:22, Luke 22:19.
- 97) Luke 22:17.
- 98) & 99) Mark 14:32-34.
- 100) Mark 14:28, Luke 22:40 & 46.
- 101) Mark 14:42, John 14:31.
- 102) Luke 22:51, John 18:11.
- 108) Luke 18:18.
- 112) Luke 9:50.
- 118) Luke 17:4.
- 128) Luke 8:48.
- 130) John 6:10.
- 164) John 15:12 & 17.
- 165) John 14:27.

76. Part with possessions... Luke 14:33.

79. The two talks... the subjects were "Extravagant love" and "Follow me".

79. Heal the sick a command... Anglican Renewal Ministries annual conference  
"Signs and Wonders", Swanwick, December 1986.

82. Jesus' body the new temple... John 2:19.

82. Jesus the vine... John 15:5.

## Conclusion

### What does it all mean?

84. Wounded man at roadside... Luke 10:25-37.

84. Traditions of men... Mark 7:8.

85. Jesus' commission... Matt. 28:20, John 20:21.

85. The mantle falls... 2 Kings 2:13-14.

86. Peter and John at the temple... Acts 3:1.

87. Behind locked doors... John 20:19.

87. Soldier without a gun... 2 Tim. 2:3.

91. *Dad's Army*... Early episodes of the television series, when guns were scarce and the members turned up with farm implements, recall 1 Sam. 13:22.

92. Snakes and scorpions... Luke 10:17-18.

95. Blind leading the blind... Matt. 15:14.

96. Move mountains by faith... Mark 11:23.

97. Like clouds that bring no rain... Proverbs 15:14.

101. Poor, blind and naked... Revln. 3:17.

102. City not saved... Eccl. 9:13-17 NEB.

103. Love to enemies... Matt. 5:44.

103. Church in the living room... Romans 16:5.  
 103. Take in the homeless poor... Isa. 58:7.  
 104. Jesus had no bed... Matt. 8:20.  
 105. Strengthen feeble knees... Hebrews 12:12.

## Appendix

109. Sing in the heart.. Eph. 5:19.  
 111. Praise befits the upright... Psalm 33:1.  
 111. Worship in holiness... Psalm 96:9.  
 112. Revelation anti-semitic?.. Revln. 2:9, 3:9.  
 113. Translator's nightmare... Job 4:10.  
 114. The single eye... Matt. 6:4, Luke 11:34.  
 115. Done in secret... Matt. 6:4.  
 115. The Greek New Testament, eds. Aland, Black, Martini, Metzger & Wikgren, United Bible Societies, New York London etc., 1975.  
 118. Light of the World... John 8:12.  
 120. Over-confidence... With regard to the Book of Judges, C. A. Simpson detected evidence of seven editors of the material (The Composition of the Book of Judges, Oxford, 1957, page x). W. Richter found five if not six (*Traditionsgeschichtliche Untersuchungen zum Richterbuch, Bonner Biblische Beitrage* 18, Peter Hanstein Verlag, Bonn, 1963, p26-29). Referring to Genesis to 2 Kings and Chronicles, Gerhard Von Rad wrote "These great works often took a century to mature to their final form or to be framed ingeniously with others by editors, so that in the end they became mighty, misshapen collections that were scarcely still considered literature for reading (God at Work in Israel, translated by J. H. Marks, Abingdon, Nashville, 1980, p12)." Contrast all that with the view of Dame Helen Gardner who wrote, "When a writer's first drafts, scraps of memoranda, and 'doodles' have been preserved, we may possibly have a limited success in tracing the workings of the creative imagination, though even there the results are highly speculative. To attempt to do this backwards from the finished work is like weaving ropes in sand" (The Business of Criticism, Clarendon, Oxford, 1959, p120). We do not have earlier jottings of this kind for the biblical books. As for Von Rad's opinion, personally I find the OT books he mentioned highly readable.  
 My favourite example of what seems to me to be over-confidence comes from Rudolph Bultmann. He believed that John chapter twenty-one was a later addition to the Gospel. In support of this view, when writing about the 153 fishes in verse eleven, he commented, "Since this is not a round number, it must have an allegorical meaning, and it is inconceivable that an early story should contain such a feature" (The Gospel of John, Blackwell, Oxford, 1971). My response is, why must it, and why is it inconceivable?  
 120. Crime novels... "You're an odd man, M. Poirot." "I am very odd. That is to say, I am methodical, orderly and logical – and I do not like distorting facts to support a theory – that, I find – is unusual!" (Agatha Christie, One, Two Buckle my Shoe, Collins, London, 1940, p137).  
 123. Accept and reject parts of books... 1 Thess. 5:19-22.

123. Christian Set Yourself Free, Graham and Shirley Powell, Sovereign World,  
Tonbridge, 1983.