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Preface

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We are living in what I perceive as the most interesting times that I have ever experienced. It seems as though people and their ideas are far more diverse than at any other time. More and more groups of individuals with thoughts other than “mainstream” seem to be popping up everywhere. It used to be that the terms “liberal” and “conservative” could just about sum up the diversity of thought among the people of this land called America. But now, this concept is passe' as life in America seems to be changing with each passing day.

As I see things today, we have a group of people that believe that everything the United States government does is good and should be supported - no questions asked. Among those people are individuals that claim no religious affiliation whatsoever. They are just patriotic, military, police, politician loving people.

Then there is the group of people who support the U.S. government - no questions asked - who claim to be the representatives of “mainstream” religion. Their reasoning for supporting the U.S. government is because the Bible mandates it, *or so they say*. These are so blinded by their beliefs, they cannot even see that there are *any* problems with the present U.S. governmental system. These people are called the religious "liberal left." The religious liberal left supports anything that is declared "public policy." This includes gay rights, etc., etc.

Then there is the religious “right” who claims to acknowledge that there are “problems” but the problems are only because “their” people are not in “office.” They are the ones that make such statements as “this country was founded on the Bible,” and “the U.S. Constitution is an inspired document.” Some hold the Constitution in higher esteem than the Bible. While they acknowledge that there are “problems” in the land, they still teach their followers that the U.S. government is ordained by God and that it is the responsibility of each Christian in America to support the U.S. government - even unto death. If some would assert that “support unto death” may be a little strong, I would remind them that the “religious right” is one of the most staunch supporters of the military that there is in this country.

While somewhat closely akin to the religious “right,” there is another group of people that may be classified as the ultra “right.” These people claim a close affinity to the religious right because they want to feel good that what they are doing has received the blessing and sanction of God. Among these groups are those called “Patriots.” And/or “Christian patriots.” These people believe firmly that the U.S. government as created by the U.S. Constitution is God ordained and they must do everything possible to *return* this country to the roots established by the Constitution. Some, though not all, believe in the use of violence to bring this about. Some of them maintain that they will only use violence in defense of themselves, their property and their families, while others believe that offensive violence is actually a form of defense.

While the above list does not nearly cover all of the active groups in America, it is relatively inclusive of all - except for one group. The tie that binds all of the above mentioned groups is that they all believe that the U.S. government is “God-ordained” and that while it may not be perfect, it is “all we have” and it should be obeyed in its present form, or restored to its original foundation.

There is one group of people in America that cannot fit in the shoes of any of the groups mentioned above. This group of people are individuals who claim that they have no earthly citizenship of any kind. They believe that all man-made governments are an affront to the only true Government - the Government of the Almighty Creator and Sovereign of All - Yahweh, and His Son Jesus. These are the people of the Israel of God. These are they who identify with the New Covenant established and given by God’s Son, Jesus, 2,000 years ago. These people believe that Jesus (Christ) is King of kings and (Lord) Sovereigns of (lords) sovereigns right now in this time.

Their law is not the Constitution or the Bill of Rights, the Magna Carta, or the Declaration of Independence. Their law is the Holy Word of God. They will tell you that they believe that the God of the Bible is the only Lawgiver, based on passages such as James 4:12, among countless others, which states plainly that there is only One Lawgiver, God, the Sovereign and His Son Jesus the One and Only Potentate (I Timothy 6:15).

I was told by some people a while back that the Constitution was based on the Bible. To which I replied, “Great, then I’ll just keep the Bible.” Man does not have any authority to make law. That right, power, Authority is retained only by the King of kings and Lord of lords.

These people have a firm conviction that the Laws of God are still in effect today and must be observed in order to be the people of the God of the Bible. Of course, they do not sacrifice lambs for the remission of their sins, because their King made the final sacrifice of Himself and they that walk in the New Covenant way do not need the sacrificial order of the Old Covenant to be made clean - nor do they need the physical washings of the Old Covenant. Jesus made the statement that the whole law of His Father could be fulfilled if men would Love Him with their whole heart, mind and soul, and if they would love their neighbors as themselves. Loving God is synonymous with Loving His Law. Jesus told His followers, if you Love me, Keep My Commandments.

Among those Commandments, first and foremost, is the Commandment that God's people “not have any other (as the King James Bible states) gods before me.” What does this mean? To the groups mentioned in the opening remarks of this preface, it can mean any number of different things. But to those who are desiring to be the people of God - NOW - the word “gods,” as in Thou shalt have no other 'gods' before me, means sovereigns, or governments, or as Strong's Greek Concordance states, “occasionally applied by way of deference to magistrates.” Gods (little g gods) means rulers, judges, magistrates.

These people preach such things as found in Acts 17 where the Apostles were preaching that there is another King, One Jesus. Those that had “turned the world upside down” had come to Thessalonica and it was said of them that they ALL DO CONTRARY TO THE DECREES OF CAESAR, saying that there is another King, One Jesus.

After writing the books, The Religion of the New World Order, and They All Call Him King, I began to receive an outpouring of mail from all over the land. For many years I believed that we were very possibly alone in our thinking here. I guess I felt a little like Elijah did when he complained to God that there was no one else that wanted to live for Him. Then He revealed to Elijah that there were thousands who had not bowed the knee to Baal.

That is what has happened to me in the last two years. God has revealed to me others of His people all across the land who believe that God alone is Sovereign and that His people will serve Him and Him alone. We will not bow down to other governments. He is King now and it is His government alone that we will submit to. We are His ambassadors and as such have no affiliation with the governments of this world and we are attempting to rescue others who are “entangled with the affairs of this life” and who are trapped in the snare of the “domain of darkness.”

What follows in these pages is a series of letters that came to me from one of those that God has revealed to me that have not bowed the knee to Baal. When I received my first piece of mail from Caleb Israel, I was elated. I was overjoyed at what I was reading. I immediately wrote back to Caleb and asked to hear more from him. In the months after this, I received a lot of great things from Caleb. Among the correspondence were two letters in particular that have revolutionized my thinking.

Many people have told me that my books, The Religion of the New World Order, and They All Call Him King basically leave us with “what next? What do we do with this information?”

My arguments in the past had been that the problem in America was that all of the “churches” were no good. Besides the obvious error being they are almost all 501(c)(3) government corporations - it doesn't take too much to see they are not much more than the religious arm of the state.

Still, if we could just get the “churches” to be right, then we could see some things get straightened out. I understood such things as why churches should not be 501(c)(3) government corporations and all of that business. So if we could just get “churches” to stop promoting and being part of a wicked system, then maybe God would once again make Himself known to us and give us a revival.

This thinking, though noble from a human standpoint, was still incredibly flawed. I knew that “church” was not supposed to be a social organization meeting on the weekends. I knew that “church” was the people and not the buildings. But yet, there was still something wrong with my thinking that I just couldn't get an answer to. Then came the two letters from Caleb that revolutionized my thinking. I never knew what the correct definition of “church” was. While I wanted the weekend organizations to be right, even if those groups all had a mass unincorporation from the state, this still would not be the answer.

The answer, I believe, for our problems in America (and around the world), can be found in the basis of the letters that I received from Caleb Israel. The first of the three letters is the first piece of mail that I received from Caleb which prompted my desire to hear more from him. Letters two and three are the letters that have revolutionized my thinking concerning "what shall we do now?" When you understand the real definition of Ekklesia - compared to "church" - your life will be on a way to major changes (or at least it should be).

I pray that you will receive the tremendous blessing and encouragement that I have received from these letters.

Sincerely Because Christ is King NOW!!!

Charlie

Letter Number One from Caleb Israel Fall '94

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our King. Two hundred and twenty years ago liberty was the major concern in American life. Today, people do not even know the meaning of liberty. Let alone desire it.

Have you ever wondered why there are so many tyrants in government? I now know why Patrick Henry would rather die, than not have liberty; and why he opposed the Constitution of the United States.

Unless you have an 1828 Noah Webster's dictionary, you will probably not find this definition to the word, 'liberty', in your dictionary: 2. "Natural liberty, consists in the power of acting as one thinks fit, without any restraint or control, except from the laws of nature. It is a state of exemption from the control of others, and from positive laws and the institutions of social life. This liberty is abridged by the establishment of government."

There is only one government on earth that applies natural law; i.e. the laws of nature and natures God, to its citizens. That government is the Kingdom of God/Heaven. In the Kingdom of Heaven there is natural liberty for Christ's citizens. This is the liberty Patrick Henry lived in. His only governor was Jesus Christ (I Timothy 6:15), who made it possible for men to live in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. In His government,

The Lord is the judge, the Lord is the lawgiver, the Lord is the King; He will save us." Isaiah 33:22.

As we learn to be obedient to only God and those offices of government in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth; you will begin to notice that God's intervention in the affairs of men will be noticeably imminent.

When men establish government, such as they did in 1789, with adoption of the Constitution of the United States, natural liberty is destroyed. To regain that lost liberty, one must take it upon himself, with the authority of Jesus Christ, and claim it.

It can only be done by renouncing all man-made government and pledging one's total allegiance to Jesus Christ and His government on earth. It is done by entering into the new covenant which Jesus Christ made possible through the sacrifice of His life for ours.

Do as [their] public law 97-280 recommends, and begin a new study of the scriptures and you will see that this is so. The book of Hebrews is a good place to start. It tells us what we need to know about the new covenant.

Without Jesus Christ, natural liberty is absent from man. Isn't it wonderful to know the savior of the world, that gives to those who believe in Him, the liberty to do what He commands? We do not need permission from other men, our equal, to do what God commands. In the commandments of Jesus Christ our liberty is established. James called it the perfect law of liberty, in James 1:25.

Why is there so much tyranny in the governments of men? Because each individual who has made the state their god by letting the state make the laws to govern their life, practices tyranny themselves. Anyone who would take the property of one and give it to another who it does not belong to, is a tyrant. If you believe you are one of "we the people of the United States" and give your allegiance to the United States: you are guilty of all the tyranny that the United States does. The United States does all that it does in the name of "we the people of the United States."

Anyone who exercises power or authority over another, unlawfully is a tyrant. There is only one real law. That is the law which comes from God. Man has no authority to make law for other men. When man becomes a lawmaker; he becomes a tyrant.

In the Declaration of Independence, the laws of God are called the laws of nature and nature's God. It also says that governments derive their just powers by the consent of the governed. So, for one to be governed by any government, it has to be by the consent of the one being governed. We can give our consent to be governed by the government of God.

The only law which governs the citizens in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, is the new covenant laws: God's laws within His citizens.

If you are one who believes the governments of the United States and the several states are out of hand: maybe you should consider entering into the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matthew 6: 24-34.

Until next time, may God the Father bless you with His love, grace and peace through Jesus Christ our King.
Amen.
Caleb Israel

Letter Number Two from Caleb Israel Winter '94

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our King. I have been going through some old boxes to see what to throw away, and came across a letter which I had written to John McArthur, who has the radio program, "Grace to You." It was dated 11-4-91. I will not write it all, for there are some things in it that I would not write today. But here is some of it.

The morality that judeo-christian churches produce is not the same morality that Jesus or his apostles taught. Church goers will say, "My church teaches the same morals as Jesus taught." However, it is highly unlikely since churches, as an institution, are off on the wrong foot to begin with. Jesus and His disciples taught against the institution of church, and called people out of it. It is doubtful that the people who belong to an organization called a church have preachers who have told them the simple truth that, the word "church" was added to the Bible, and should not even be there. When "churches" withhold this kind of truth, how can they claim to teach the same morals that Jesus taught?

The morality the churches teach is the same morality which comes from the men who print and distribute the text books which are used to teach preachers and Bible teaches in Seminary school or Bible college. They are the same men who get their religious training from the Rabbi's and their Bible: the Babylonian Talmud. The preachers then pretend to teach from the Christian Bible, which is the Holy Word of God. These preachers of idolatry teach their flocks a lie, when they say we should be obedient to the laws of man made governments. And tell us the laws of our Creator, Yahweh have been done away with.

Jesus said:

"Think not that I am come to destroy the law or the prophets: I am not come to destroy but to fulfill."
When you do away with the law, you do away with the Kingdom. When you do away with the Kingdom, you do away with what John the Baptist, Jesus Christ, and the disciples taught.

How can you and your judeo-christian ethic continue to drug the minds of your listeners? The Kingdom of God is real and it exists today as much as it did when God created it. The Kingdom of God is not something in the future which can only be obtained by going to Heaven. The fourth chapter of Daniel tells us that God's Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom, and his dominion is from generation to generation (3:34).

According to Noah Webster's 1828 Dictionary, dominion means "sovereign or supreme authority; the power of governing and controlling."

In Daniel 4:25 we are told that the

"Most High ruleth in the Kingdoms of men, and giveth to whomsoever he will."

So, the Most High, the Creator has this dominion. Bouvier's Law Dictionary 1914 edition says that dominion is "the complete and perfect ownership of a thing." Since the Most High God created the earth and the universe around it, He owns it by right of that creation. It is His complete and perfect property. When Noah Webster defined the word sovereign, he said, "Supreme in Power; possessing supreme dominion; as a sovereign prince. God is the sovereign ruler of the Universe. A supreme Lord or ruler; one who possesses the highest authority without control."

Let's go back to Daniel 4:25.

"The Most High ruleth in the Kingdoms of men, and giveth to whomsoever he will."

God has given this power, authority to Jesus Christ for we read in Matthew 28:18 that

"all power [authority] is given unto me (Jesus) in Heaven and in earth."

Why do the judeo-christian preachers tell us we must obey the governments of men, when the Bible teaches otherwise? Jesus Christ is the highest authority, it is His law which we must obey if we are going to be His people. The Apostle Paul tells us in Galatians 3:29 that

If we are Christ's, then are we Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

If people are going to be heirs of the promise, then first, they have to be Christ's. How can anyone lay claim to being Christ's if he does not do the will of Christ?

In Psalms 40:8, we read:

"I delight to do Thy will, O my God: yes, thy law is within my heart."

The will of God is the law which He has placed into the hearts and minds of those who believe in his Son Jesus Christ. In the book of Hebrews this is called the New Covenant. It is the will of God that His people live in His law, the reason why He gave it to the children of Israel in Exodus 20. In fact, the whole Bible is God's law and His will for His people. Can we be in God's will if we cast aside His law, and say it has been done away with? When Christians deny any law from God their Creator; what is to stop tyrants from plundering these so-called Christians?

This is what is happening in America, because the judeo-christian community has cast God aside and said to the governments created by men: "You are our god; your Constitution is the supreme law of the land." And so it is, the state has created the churches, and the churches do the will of their creator; THE STATE.

The fathers of the United States have sinned a great sin against the Creator God, by adopting the Constitution of the United States. And the so-called Christians have gone right along with their abomination.

Before the Constitution, many of the colonists lived and prospered while the law of the land was the laws of God as found in the Scriptures (See New Haven Colony Covenant). Before 1776, [in many parts of the continent,] God's law was the law of the land.

Because of the war with England, most of the young men who believed in this liberty were killed in defending the liberty which is in the laws of God. By 1787, there was little opposition to those deceivers who created another government by adopting the Constitution, in complete disregard to the Articles of Confederation, which united the

States under the Declaration of Independence.

There were a few men such as Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson, Henry Lee and others of their caliber who objected bitterly to the Constitution, but they were a very small minority and their warnings went unheeded and suppressed. Many have read the Federalist Papers; but few have even heard of the Anti-Federalist. In the book, "The Anti-Federalist," edited by Herbert J. Storing, are the arguments by some of the men who opposed the new Constitution which was adopted as the supreme law of the land above the objections of the Anti-Federalists. Here is one such objection raised.

"There are certain rights which we have always held sacred in the united states, and recognized in all our constitutions, and which by the adoption of the new constitution in its present form, will be left unsecured. By Article 6, the proposed Constitution, and the laws of the United States, which shall be made in pursuance thereof; and all treaties made or which shall be made under the authority of the United States shall be the supreme law of the land, and the judges in every state shall be bound thereby; anything in the Constitutions or laws of any state to the contrary notwithstanding.

It is to be when the people shall adopt the proposed Constitution it will be their last and supreme act; it will be adopted not by the people of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, etc...

(Note: Some the original colonies, I believe, were established as the Ekklesias of the New Testament)

...but by the people of the United States; and wherever this Constitution or any part of it, shall be incompatible with the ancient customs, rights, the laws or the constitutions heretofore established in the United States, (such as the laws of God, the Declaration of Independence, the Constitutions of the Colonies, etc.), it will entirely abolish them and do them away: and not only this, but the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance of the Federal Constitution will be also supreme] laws, and wherever they shall be incompatible with the customs, rights, laws or constitutions heretofore established, they will also entirely abolish them and do them away. By the article before recited, treaties also made under the authority of the United States, shall be the supreme law: it is not said that these treaties shall be made in pursuance of the Constitution - nor are there any Constitutional bounds set to those who shall make them. The President and two-thirds of the Senate will be empowered to make treaties indefinitely, and when these treaties shall be made, they will also abolish all laws and state constitutions incompatible with them..."

Can you see where this false judeo-christian teaching that: There is no law from God our Creator, is leading the nation? No law: No God. So the tyrants who want to rule the world, make themselves God by making law for the people. In Psalms 33:10 we read that

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen for His own inheritance.

This land we live in, was once blessed by God and the people who developed it were blessed also. But in those days, the supreme law of the land was the law which was written in the hearts of the men and women who feared God more than they feared men.

Today the supreme law of the land is the Constitution of the United States and the laws created by it; and the treaties which have been made have removed practically all the industry and family farms from the people and given our productivity to other nations. The people of America are a conquered people. If the people would turn back to God and keep His commandments, all the blessings of Heaven could be enjoyed once again in this land as it was 300 years ago. But no, the people would rather play the harlot and go whoring after other gods, and they are reaping all the curses which comes from disobeying our Heavenly Father.

God, our Father in Heaven is the real owner of this planet earth. He created it. It is His Kingdom which is an everlasting Kingdom. It is His dominion that is from generation to generation. The Hebrew word which everlasting comes from is ALAM and has the meaning of remote time, i.e., the future or past, indefinitely. If everlasting is something other than forever, then we are living in God's Kingdom Now and should be living by the laws of God's Kingdom instead of the laws which a few men make.

The sovereignty of God the Father and Jesus Christ His Son is above all other so-called sovereignties of men.

Who do we think we are? How can mere man think he is equal to God? God only, has the authority to make law! If man's law is contrary to the law which is already laid, set and fixed, then that law is to be considered as no law. As Peter and the other Apostles declared in Acts 5:29,

We ought to obey God rather than men.

Jesus and the Apostles preached the Kingdom of Heaven, that turned the world upside down. Why does the so-called Christian Church preach a different gospel, which lets the world continue in its lusts for riches, sex, pleasure, and conquest?

Real Christians, those who believe in Jesus Christ and His rulership as King of Kings and Lord of Lords MUST STOP PLAYING CHURCH, which only helps tyrants in political offices of government to keep plundering the people, and return to being an Ekklesia; which is what the Apostles were building.

Ekklesias are a civil body politic in the Kingdom of Heaven. "Churches" are religious institutions which help keep the governments of men in power. Ekklesias are a community of believers who have separated from the governments of men and live under the Lordship of Jesus Christ and His Government: The New Covenant.

As I was writing this again, I changed it a little bit, but not enough to change its meaning. I did not get an answer from Mr. McArthur. The reason? I believe radio preachers are con-men at heart. They know that if they quit preaching what their audiences like to hear; they won't get that big payday at the end of the month.

Until next time God bless you all with His love, grace, and peace through Jesus Christ our King. Amen.

Letter Number Three from Caleb Israel Winter '94

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our King. Thank you for your letter 2-10-95. You probably got my last letter the day or day after you mailed this one. It is indeed good to know there are others who share the belief in God's Kingdom Now. I believe God will someday bring all His people together.

[Some of] the colonies that were built (early in the settling of this land) were truly what the Christian Bible calls an Ekklesia. The Apostles were not building "churches" as the Jewish theologians in the modern "churches" would like us to believe. Ekklesias are communities of believers, such as was in the early days of the Kingdom of Heaven in North America. It is God's people, working together for a common purpose - advancing the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. In those communities were people of various trades. Most were farmers, some were carpenters, blacksmiths, merchants, etc. Their economy was based on barter between one another. There were no imports of anything that could be manufactured at home.

I agree with you. It is time for God's people to begin to rebuild the foundations. I don't think the foundation has been destroyed, but rather it has been buried under tons of Jewish tradition. The foundation cannot be destroyed. What we have to do is start taking the debris off of it. That's what I try to do with what I write. Expose that which is not true. Truth will always prevail. It just has to be brought out where it can be seen. There was a time when a neighbor would type my letters. She agreed with what I was saying, as long as I was preaching against the governments of men. Then I wrote something against a personal Satan. You see, the only Satan I believe there is, is the governments created by men. They are our only adversary. I have no spiritual adversary that makes me do evil. The evil that men do is what is in their own mind. The Apostle Paul called it the carnal mind. Anyone who is without Christ falls victim to his own mind. See Romans 8:1-8.

The Bible says that God is the one that creates evil (Isaiah 45:7). He is the only God who is spirit. The way the Judeo-Christian folks speak, there are two Gods: one evil and one righteous, and they are at war with each other. I just do not happen to believe that. So when I wrote against her evil god, I did not have a typist any longer. Oh well!

[Editor's note: This has been the same experience that I have had in the past when I have told some people that I believe that Christ the Messiah destroyed whatever the devil, Satan, the beast, or whatever anyone else wants to name it 2,000 years ago. I have actually had some religious people tear into me with a vengeance when I take

"their devil" away from them. Since the organized state "church" cannot see that *they* are their biggest enemy, they must have someone or something else to blame their failings on.]

Like yourself I used to write radio preachers all the time. The only one who would answer my letters, and he did not answer personally, was James Dobson. And the ones who answered would not address the issues I brought forth. All that happened was that I was put on their mailing list for their junk mail. The only reason that I wrote to Mr. Kennedy was because I just caught the tail end of his sermon "What Price Liberty." He was quoting Patrick Henry's famous speech. As far as I am concerned, Patrick Henry is a "hero." I love liberty as he did. So I wrote Mr. Kennedy to request the transcript of his sermon he offered. The letter I wrote was in answer to the pamphlet he sent me. I do not expect him to reply to the letter. If you can use any of the information that Jesus has revealed to me, you're welcome to it. I have often thought about putting a booklet together but just don't seem to get it right. Maybe you can do that. I will go through all my boxes and see what I can find to send you. There are things I wrote years back that I would not even consider today.

I mentioned in my last letter a study on the word church I sent to Paul (Revere). I feel led to share this study with you also.

The word "church" is an English word which was used by the English translators of the New Testament for the Greek word ekklesia. "Church" comes from the old English and German word pronounced 'Kerche.' In Scotland it was "Kirk." The following entries are from the Oxford Universal English Dictionary: Church [old English cirice, circe; middle English, cherche, cerche; whence, churche, cherche etc.: - Greek, KURIKON]. "Kirk" the northern English and Scottish form of "church", in all its senses.

In the earlier Greek it was pronounced "Ku-ri-a-kos" or "Ku-ri-a-kon." The meaning of Kuriakos is understood by its root: "Kurios," which means "Lord." Thus "Kuriakos" (i.e. church) means pertaining to the "Lord." It refers to something that pertains to or belongs to, a Lord. Webster's¹ 1828 Dictionary says of "church",

a temple of God from Kuriakos, pertaining to a lord or our Lord Jesus Christ...1. a house consecrated to the worship of God, among Christians; the Lord's house.

This seems to be the original meaning of the word...

The Greek "Kuriakos" eventually came to be used in old English form as "cirice" (kee-ree-ke), then churche (kerke), and eventually "church" in the traditional pronunciation. A "church" then is correctly defined as something that pertains to or belongs to a lord.

Now let's look at the word "Ekklesia," which the translators of the New Testament rendered "church." This Greek word appears in the New Testament approximately 115 times. In every instance except three, it was wrongly translated "church" in the King James Version. Those three exceptions are found in Acts 19:32, 39, 41. Here the translators rendered it "assembly" instead of their favorite word "church." But the Greek word is exactly the same as the other 112 entries where it was changed to "church" - wrongly.

In Acts 19, "ekklesia" is a town council; a civil body in Ephesus. Thus, the translators were forced to abandon their false translation in these three instances. Nonetheless, 112 times they changed it to "church." This fact has been covered up under centuries of misuse and ignorance. The Greek word "ekklesia" is correctly defined: "THE CALLED OUT" (ONES)[ecc = out; kaleo = call].

[Editor's note: Strong's Concordance defines Ekklesia as a christian community of members on earth or saints in heaven or both.]

According to the Encyclopedia Britannica: "In the New Testament, 'Ekklesia' (signifying convocation) is the only single word used for "church." It (ekklesia) was the name given to the governmental assembly of the city of Athens, duly convoked (called-out) by proper officers and possessing all political power including even judicial functions."

Obviously in Greece this had no resemblance to a church. An "ekklesia" was a civil assembly in Athens before the writing of the New Testament. Quoting from the Oxford English Dictionary on the word Ekklesia: "Ekklesia [medieval Latin, and Greek - a regularly convoked assembly, especially the general assembly of the Athenians.

Later, the regular word for church.” Thus two of the most prestigious word resources in the English Language confirm the fact than an ekklesia was originally a select civil body.

Now as you can see, there is a major problem here. The translators broke the rules in a big way. When they inserted the word “church” in the English versions, they were not translating the Greek word “kuriakos” as one might expect. Rather, they were substituting an entirely different Greek word. This was not honest!

The word “church” would have been an acceptable translation for the Greek word “kuriakos.” However, not by the wildest imagination of the most liberal translator can it ever be an acceptable translation for the Greek word “ekkklesia.” “Ekklesia” is an entirely different word with an entirely different meaning than “kuriakos.” In fact, the Greek word Kuriakos appears in the New Testament only twice. It is found once in I Corinthians 11:20 where it refers to the “Lord’s supper,” and once in Revelation 1:10 where it refers to the “Lord’s day,” - but [kuriakos still is not translated] “church.”

Synagogue

We now need to look at another Greek word. “Synagogue” is a word which appears often in the Greek New Testament. It is not a Hebrew word, a yiddish word, nor a jewish word. It is a Greek word. It is #4864 in Strong’s Greek Concordance - pronounced syn-a-go-gay. It simply means an “assembly” or a place of “assembly.” Now please notice that the modern use of this word has evolved into a jewish religious term. It has become a jewish assembly exclusively, however, during the writing of the Greek New Testament, it was just an assembly - any assembly. At that time “synagogue” could have referred to a jewish assembly or any other kind of assembly - religious or otherwise.

“Synagogues,” today have turned religious. They are the jewish prototypes of [state] churches. The modern churches are a spin-off of the jewish synagogues. The point is this: The first century “kuriakos” organizations were called “synagogues.” The disciples of Christ abandoned the “synagogues” (i.e. the jewish churches)...leaving them to the jews, and were building Ekklesias [Christian communities of believers, called out from the governments of men and into the government of Christ, the Kingdom of Heaven - see Romans 13.]

By the 4th century, apostate religionists were starting to form a new organization patterned after the old [jewish] synagogue. However, they could not call it “synagogue” because that name had been retained by the jewish religious establishments. And the word Ekklesia wouldn’t work for them because that word referred to Christ’s Kingdom and had nothing to do with religious houses and organizations. So, instead they called them “kuriakos” (churches). These were designed to usurp the place of the Ekklesia (CHRISTIAN CIVIL BODIES) which had been growing since Christ’s ascension to the throne of God’s Kingdom. With the help of the synagogues and the churches (sister organizations), the state (the beast) began waging battle against the Ekklesias (outposts of Christ’s Kingdom on earth). Revelation 12:13,

And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman (new Jerusalem) which brought forth the man child (the Ekklesia). 17. And the dragon (the state) was wroth with the woman and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Independent government under Jesus Christ the King! That is what the Ekklesia represents - not a religious organization for meeting on the weekends.

The Bible does not indicate that “churches” would eventually take the place of Ekklesias. The change of words was not sanctioned by Scripture. There is no Scriptural authority for Christians to build churches, attend churches, or support churches! Churches are ungodly organizations designed for and by statist! Christians should be forming and supporting Ekklesias instead of churches. Remember, “Ekklesia” means “the called out (elected ones), meaning those who are called out from the Babylonian religious/political system, which is the state [and the state churches].

The word “election” has the same root as the word “Ekklesia.” The “election,” the “Ekklesia,” the “called out ones” all come from the same root word. The Bible says that we, as members of our Ekklesia communities [not communes] are to make our “calling” and our “election” sure. 2 Peter 1:8-11...

But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged

from his old sins. Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your "calling" and "election" sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: for so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Those of us who believe in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth Now, in our present generation are a governmental body in Christ Jesus, who is our King. Now! We are ambassadors for Him and represent His government on earth. Churches represent a false god and promote the state. The state regulates churches. Jesus Christ regulates the Ekklesias.

The people who belong to churches do not worship Yahweh, the Creator of the universe and all life therein. They worship their creator, the state, who is the usurper of the authority which belongs to our King, Jesus Christ.

Do you see what has happened? The Pharisees have come into the Ekklesias and led the people astray with their "traditions of the elders." It began way back when the Apostles were first building Ekklesias. You can read about it all through Paul's letters to the Ekklesias and in the book of Acts. Churches are nothing but jewish synagogues with a Christian sounding name that deceives. They worship the jewish god's; the states. Ekklesias are a civil body politic in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. There are not many around at the present time, but more and more are popping up around the land.

Until next time, God bless you all with His love, grace and peace through Jesus Christ our King. Amen.
By Caleb Israel

P.S. It took me a lot of years to find the Kingdom of Heaven; I can't for the life of me figure out why it took so long for me to see it, but then I run into Christians all the time who have been reading and studying the same Bible for more years than I have, and they do not see it either. I guess it has to be revealed by Jesus Christ before one can see it.

I know one thing for sure, you don't know what persecution is all about until you enter into the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. You kind of expect a little persecution from people from time to time, but not from the government - particularly in America where the foundation of government is the freedom of religion and the free exercise thereof.

But just try exercising your religion by driving with "Heaven" driving documents, and wow! does it ever upset the anti-christ police officers, attorneys, and judges. The most sarcastic remarks come from the lawyers. I guess it's because of all the bad things Jesus had to say about them, that makes them that way. Some police officers are sarcastic, but most of them keep their comments to themselves.

In the day of Jesus' ministry the scribes and Pharisees were what we would call lawyers today -- those who are learned at law. Jesus told them in Matthew 23:15:

But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in.

The trouble with lawyers is, they have the idea that the law is going to save society. They think law will make people better. But the Bible tells us in Ephesians 2:8-10:

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

In America there is an over-abundance of lawyers, and they really serve no purpose, except to bind heavy burdens upon people. They have found their way into the legislatures of the governments; and because of their obsession with law, they love to make new laws all the time. The reason? Because they love to lord it over people.

When Jesus gave the offices of His government to the apostles, at the last supper He had with them, He had to stop them from disputing about which of them would be the greatest. He said to them:

The kings of the nations exercise lordship over them (the people), and those who exercise authority over them are called benefactors. But not so among you; he who is greatest among you; let him be as the younger (least), and he who governs, as he who serves.

You see, the leaders of the people are to serve the people. They are to be servants. Not so in the governments created by men. Those in authority, which are 99% lawyers, want the people to serve them.

That should tell us right there that state governments are ungodly. Nearly all the people who work in the agencies created by the legislatures want to lord it over the people they deal with; and tell them how to live and what to do.

Lawyers were a forbidden group in some of the colonies in early America. One of the reasons, I believe, is that the people who developed the colonies were in the New Covenant with God the Father. They taught their children how to read ... from the Scriptures. Their children were brought up on the word of God.

Jesus said in John 6:63:

It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

I believe the more one reads the words of our Redeemer, the more he is filled with God's spirit.

When America's children were being fed a diet of spirit from God, He blessed the people, who were growing into a great nation. And at the same time the bonds which kept them in political slavery to the King of England were being loosed. Jesus was setting His people free. That was 220 years ago. Today we find the bulk of Americans in political slavery again. What on earth happened? that a free people could wind up in political slavery again?

Well, my opinion is, the people made for themselves another god when they established central government, the government of the United States. After all, before then they were clearly in covenant with God. By obeying His commandments, God was showing favor to them. But when they established another government to make laws and treaties for them, God began to withdraw His blessings. They were practicing idolatry, which is against God's first commandment in Exodus 20:3:

You shall have no other gods before me.

When they made the United States [CONstitution] their lawgiver, they made the United States their god. The Bible says in Isaiah 33:22:

The Lord is our judge, the Lord is our Lawgiver, the Lord is our King, He will save us.

The United States is an idol and those who worship her are idolaters (to worship something or someone is to obey it or that someone).

What we have in America is people in political slavery to an idol of their own making. The way to be set free from this wicked and perverse government is to renounce all ties with it. According to the Declaration of Independence, individuals have a choice whether to be governed by the government of the United States or not to be. It says, "governments established among men (free men) derive their powers from the consent of the governed." One must give his consent first. It is easy to give your consent. Most of us gave our consent before we were old enough to know what we were doing. It began with a birth certificate, which is a contract that says, this child was born in the state of (whatever state the parents believed they lived in).

Most people do not know that the land is a part of God's Kingdom. They have been taught in the government schools that the land is the state. But the state is just a political structure. It is invisible; it is spiritual. The government took the map of America and divided it all up into political subdivisions; they drew political boundary lines on the map and named them various names as Nevada, California, etc. They have taught the people, by their government schools, that the land inside these political boundaries are the states. But that is not correct. The land still belongs to God. He created it for the people to live on and possess. He has never given title to any man or group of men. He owns it, it is His Kingdom. If one makes a declaration that he is a resident of the state of Nevada, the state of California, etc., then the state has taken him off the land and he has become a resident

of an invisible political structure. He has given his consent to be governed by whatever state he wants to be governed by. He can move from state to state. Each time he moves he gives his consent to the next state by his declaration. I am a resident of the state of Nevada. That is what makes one a citizen of the United States.

I renounced all my ties and citizenship with these false gods when I found out that Jesus Christ gave Himself, to be a sacrifice, that my sins could be blotted out of existence, and that He has set me free to live in His Kingdom, which is the land. My biggest problem now is staying free. These false gods do not like it, because I will not submit to their usurped authority, and they slam me into their jails to try and get me to change my mind.

I believe that IF we live in a free society like they want us to believe, we should have a choice whether we want to be governed by God in His Kingdom, or by the false god states. IF we are free as they say, and teach in their schools, then we should be free! If people want to live in an invisible political structure created by some very clever men, that's fine. Let the governments take out their frustrations on those who belong to them. But leave me alone, I belong to God. I am His creation and a part of His government on earth. Halleluia!

Oh Lord God Almighty, help your people see the error of their ways, that they may have your seal upon their foreheads.

Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity. (2 Timothy 2:19)

May the grace and peace from God the Father be with you all, through Jesus Christ our King. Amen. Written from a jail cell in Bellingham, Washington. This saint lost his home as well as his vehicle. He is now living in California.

The following letter was written to me by Caleb 10/95 and was reprinted in the Embassy of Heaven's Fall Newsletter.

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ the King. I have been given some material by a man who wants to convince me that the United States government is founded upon the Christian Religion. One of the papers he gave me is titled: "America founded by Christians?? You bet it was!!"

Let me clarify this title. America is not the United States. America is a creation of YHWH, God. The United States as we know it today is a creation of a few clever men who wrote the Constitution of the United States. There is a difference between America, God's creation; and the United States, man's creation. You cannot link America with the United States. America belongs to God; the United States belongs to a few clever men.

The paper goes on to say: "The first prayer was offered by the Rev. Jacob Duche before the First Continental Congress, on September 7, 1774 in the presence of the most illustrious of the Founding Fathers. Found in a book by Ken Warner, [this is] a classic example of the trust in Divine Providence which characterized early American history."

Notice that this prayer is given in 1774, seven years before there even was a United States. The United States did not come into existence until 1781, when the Articles of Confederation were ratified.

Remember, too, the first government of the United States was by the Declaration of Independence and the Articles of Confederation. The Constitution of 1787 formed the government of the United States as we know it today.

Article 6, paragraph 2, of that Constitution abolished the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation and the laws of the 13 states and their Constitutions, where they were incompatible with the laws and treaties of the United States and the Constitution. Article 6, paragraph 2 of the Constitution of the United States says:

"This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be the supreme Law of the land; ...any Thing in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the Contrary notwithstanding."

Let's look at one of these treaties which was made by the authority of the United States. By the way, "all Treaties made" are the supreme law of the land for all those who believe they are one of "we the people of the United States."

The Treaty of Tripoli, November 4, 1796. 8 Stat. 154; Treaty Series 358. This is a treaty of peace and friendship between the United States of America and the Bey [Governor] and Subjects of Tripoli of Barbary. Article 11 states:

"As the government of the United States of America is not in any sense founded on the Christian Religion, - as it has in itself no character of enmity against the laws, religion or tranquility of Musselmen, - and as the said States never have entered into any war or act of hostility against any Mehomitan nation, it is declared by the parties that no pretext arising from religious opinions shall ever produce an interruption of the harmony existing between the two countries."

Right out of the horse's mouth, they confess they are not founded on the Christian religion. I am not convinced that the United States government is a Christian government or ever has been. There is a small portion of Americans who are Christian people, but the majority are not.

The reason I say this is because, if the American people were truly Christian, they would not have a legislature of men making laws for the people. They would be free from man-made government and Jesus Christ would govern their activities by the New Covenant laws of God from within each individual i.e., the laws of nature and nature's God.

There is no doubt in my mind that there were some good Christian men and women who were separating from the governments of the world as God commands us to do. They were freed from the tyranny of the British Crown, but their freedom did not last long. They went right back to having other gods, called States, before Almighty God.

They placed a few men in high esteem and allowed them to make their laws. Then these men of high esteem became the gods of the people. Once again they were worshiping idols: and the government of the United States as we know it today has evolved out of that wickedness.

Because there were some Christian people in America who spoke some wonderful words for the people of America to hear, does not make the United States a Christian government.

There is only one Christian government in the earth today. It is the Kingdom of Heaven, which was established by its Founding Fathers 2000 years ago. Jesus Christ is it's King and His twelve Apostles carried it throughout the world.

Until next time, God bless you all with His love, grace and peace through Jesus Christ our King. Amen.

[Note from Paul: When we researched the "Treaty of Tripoli" we found that Article 11 (quoted above) mysteriously disappeared out of many documents. It remains a mystery to this very day. Where did this document come from? It came from an ambassador sent by the United States of America to make peace with the pirates on the high seas. We found it very strange that the U.S. was making a treaty with pirates, for what communion has light with darkness? The United States was worried about the Muslim religion. The United States took the position that they were a "free" religious State. In other words, people could be Muslims, Christians, worshipers of Jupiter, or worshipers of any false god. What difference does it make whether or not the United States is a Christian nation? If the U.S. is a Christian nation, we owe it our allegiance and support. But if it is not, then we must separate from it.]

[Editor's Note - When I received this letter from Caleb, I was very excited, particularly regarding the information exposed from the "Treaty of Tripoli." I went right down to the downtown library in Indianapolis to get my copy of this incriminating document. To my dismay, I found exactly what Paul found - the phrase "the government of the United States of America is not founded on the Christian religion..." was missing from the document. I immediately went home and wrote Caleb a letter letting him know what I had found. I asked him to call me right away so that we could discuss what I had found. Several days later I received a phone call from Caleb. He assured me that the copy of the Treaty of Tripoli that I had seen was a corrupt version of the text. He gave me the following information on how to document the original wording of the "Treaty of Tripoli" - dated November 4,

1796, signed by U.S. president John Adams and ratified by Congress on June 10, 1795. The edition where he found those words was compiled by Charles L. Blevins, L.L.B., the Assistant Legal Advisor for the Department of State. The Volume is entitled *Treaties and Other International Treaties, 1776-1946, Volume 11; Philipines and United Arab Emirates*, Department of State Publication #8728, February 1974. For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.] The document is also found online at: http://www.stephenjaygould.org/ctrl/treaty_tripoli.html (As of 2023, this website has been hijacked. You can find proof that the statement was in the “treaty” with more research:

<https://www.mtsu.edu/first-amendment/article/2144/1797-treaty-of-tripoli>

https://avalon.law.yale.edu/18th_century/bar1796t.asp

<https://ffrf.org/ftod-cr/item/37585-treaty-of-tripoli>

<https://www.usconstitution.net/tripoli.html>

https://www.au.org/wp-content/uploads/migration/pdf_documents/joel-barlow-and-the-treaty.pdf

https://www.supremecourt.gov/DocketPDF/17/17-7220/49900/20180612102017124_00000001.pdf

When I have discussed the Treaty of Tripoli with some “christian” patriots who are still defending the U.S. Constitution as if it is some “Christian” document, they act like Tripoli has no significance whatsoever in the history of their nation. But whether they like it or not, the U.S. government types place Tripoli among the bright spots of early United States history - have you ever heard the famous United States MarineCorps anthem? - ...from the halls of Montezuma, to the shores of Tripoli...

This shores of Tripoli is one and the same with the Treaty - the renunciation of a “christian” foundation for the United States - and the U.S. Marine Corps anthem. A simple look at an encyclopedia under the heading “Tripoli” will give the honest seeker some “food for thought.” According to Funk & Wagnall's the reason for the Tripolitan Wars was because the Muslim nation of Tripoli had some pirates who were “preying” on ships from nations that deemed to be “christian.”

Several United States vessels had been captured by these Tripolitan pirates and had been docked in the harbor of Tripoli. Of course, the United States navy was sent in to defend/rescue the U.S. merchants' possessions (*the bankers had to be protected, you know*) and war broke out.

The war was resolved and “peace” was the result of the Treaty of Tripoli.

FOOTNOTES

1. Webster's 1828 Dictionary showing the etymology of the word “church.” It clearly does NOT come from the Greek Ekklesia. See page 15 for actual page scan from Webster’s 1828 Dictionary.

Webster's 1828 - "Church"

ub. See Class Gb. NO. 1

and also *cheven*, of the genus
 e body is oblong, nearly
 l and back, green; the sides
 belly white. It frequents
 ivers shaded by trees; but
 er floats near the surface,
 port for anglers. It is in-
Dict. Nat. Hist. Encyc.
 Like a chub; short and
 thick.

, a. Having a plump round
Addison.
 o make the noise of a hen or
 n she calls her chickens.
 o call, as a hen her chick-

To jeer; to laugh. [See
 Fr. *choquer*; Russ. *chokayu*,
 y; Port. Sp. *chocar*.]
 give a gentle blow; as, to
 ler the chin.
 with quick motion, a short
 pitch. [*Vulgar*.]
 he voice or call of a hen.
 all noise.
 endearment, corrupted from

THING, *n.* A play in which
 pitched into a hole.
v. t. [from *chuck*.] To call, as
 ickens.
 o cocker. [Qu. W. *cocru*. See
 v. i. [Ch. חוק *chuk* or *huk*,
 See Class Gk. No. 18. and

rtily, or convulsively; to shake
 er, or to burst into fits of laugh-

HEAD, *n.* A vulgar word in
 enoting a person with a large
 unce. Bailey says, a rattling,
 ty fellow.
 To champ; to bite. [*Not in*
Stafford.
Bacon.
 Forced meat.
 [Perhaps W. *cyf*, a stock or
aw, to become torpid.]
 a coarse, heavy, dull or surly

Y, *adv.* In a rough, surly man-
 vishly.

LESS, *n.* Surliness.
 a. Blunt; clownish; surly; an-
 machful. In N. England, this
 presses that displeasure which
 swelling or surly look and grum-
 ther than heat and violent ex-
 s of anger.
 A word used in calling swine.
 e original name of that animal,
 ur ancestors brought with them
 rsia, where it is still in use, Pers.
 end, *chuk*, a hog; Sans. *sugara*.
 ectors, while in England adopted

ham, to rest. Qu. Sax. *ham*, home.]
 A chamber-fellow; one who lodges or re-
 sides in the same room; a word used in
colleges.

CHUMP, *n.* A short, thick, heavy piece of
 wood, less than a block. *Johnson.*

CHURCH, *n.* [Sax. *circe*, *circ* or *cyric*;
 Scots, *kirk*, which retains the Saxon pro-
 nunciation; D. *kerk*; G. *kirche*; Sw. *kyrck-
 ia*; Dan. *kirke*; Gr. *κυριακον*, a temple of
 God, from *κυριος*, pertaining to a Lord,
 or to our Lord Jesus Christ, from *κυριος*, a
 Lord; Russ. *tzerkov*.]
 1. A house consecrated to the worship of
 God, among christians; the Lord's house.
 This seems to be the original meaning of
 the word. The Greek *εκκλησια*, from *εκ-
 καλεω*, to call out or call together, denotes
 an assembly or collection. But *κυριακος*,
κυριακον, are from *κυριος*, Lord, a term ap-
 plied by the early christians to Jesus
 Christ; and the house in which they wor-
 shipped was named from that title. So
κυριακα signifies church goods, bona ec-
 clesiastica; *κυριακη*, sc. *ημερα*, the Lord's
 day, dies dominica.
 2. The collective body of christians, or of
 those who profess to believe in Christ, and
 acknowledge him to be the Savior of man-
 kind. In this sense, the church is some-
 times called the *Catholic* or *Universal*
Church. *Johnson. Encyc.*
 3. A particular number of christians, united
 under one form of ecclesiastical govern-
 ment, in one creed, and using the same
 ritual and ceremonies; as the English
church; the Gallican *church*; the Presby-
 terian *church*; the Romish *church*; the
 Greek *church*.
 4. The followers of Christ in a particular
 city or province; as the *church* of Ephesus,
 or of Antioch.
 5. The disciples of Christ assembled for
 worship in a particular place, as in a pri-
 vate house. Col. iv. [See No. 9.]
 6. The worshipers of Jehovah or the true
 God, before the advent of Christ; as the
 Jewish *church*.
 7. The body of clergy, or ecclesiastics, in
 distinction from the laity. Hence, ecclesi-
 astical authority. *Encyc.*
 8. An assembly of sacred rulers convened in
 Christ's name to execute his laws. *Cruden. Brown.*
 9. The collective body of christians, who have
 made a public profession of the christian
 religion, and who are united under the
 same pastor; in distinction from those
 who belong to the same parish, or eccle-
 siastical society, but have made no pro-
 fession of their faith.

CHURCH, *v. t.* To perform with any one the
 office of returning thanks in the church,
 after any signal deliverance, as from the
 dangers of childbirth. *Johnson.*

CHURCH-ALE, *n.* A wake or feast com-

the rites of the church.

CHURCH-DISCIPLINE, *n.* Disci-
 ple of the church, intended to correct the
 of its members.

CHURCH/DOM, *n.* The government
 thorty of the church.

CHURCH-FOUNDER, *n.* He that b
 endows a church.

CHURCH-HISTORY, *n.* History
 christian church; ecclesiastical his

CHURCH/ING, *n.* The act of offering
 in church after childbirth.

CHURCH-LAND, *n.* Land belongi
 church. *Ye*

CHURCH/LIKE, *a.* Becoming the c

CHURCH/MAN, *n.* An ecclesiastic c
 gyman; one who ministers in
 things.
 2. An episcopalian, as distinguished
 presbyterian or congregationalist, &

CHURCH-MEM/BER, *n.* A mem
 communion with a church; a profe
 religion.

CHURCH-MU/SIC, *n.* The service o
 ing or chanting in a church.
 2. Music suited to church service.

CHURCH/SHIP, *n.* Institution of the ch

CHURCH-WARDEN, *n.* A keeper or
 dian of the church, and a representati
 the parish. Church-wardens are app
 ed by the minister, or elected by the pa
 ioners, to superintend the church, its
 erty and concerns, and the behavior o
 parishioners. For these and many c
 purposes, they possess corporate pov
Johnson. E

CHURCH/-WAY, *n.* The way, stree
 road that leads to the church.

CHURCH-WORK, *n.* Work carried
 slowly. *T*

CHURCH-YARD, *n.* The ground adjoi
 to a church in which the dead are bur
 a cemetery. *ohn*

CHURL, *n.* [Sax. *ceorl*; D. *kaerel*; G. l
 Dan. *karl*. It signifies primarily, a r
 or rather a male, for it was applic
 other animals, as a *carl-cat*, a male-
 and males are named from their stren
 or the sex implies it; hence, *carl-h*
 denoted strong hemp. *Huscarla*, a ho
carl, or servant; *buscarla*, a ship's-c
 See *Spelman*. Hence the name, *Chan*
Carolus.]
 1. A rude, surly, ill-bred man. *Sidr*
 2. A rustic; a countryman, or laborer. *Dryc*

3. A miser; a niggard. Is. xxxii.

CHURL/ISH, *a.* Rude; surly; austere;
 len; rough in temper; unfeeling; unc
 2. Selfish; narrow-minded; avaricious. *K*

3. [Of things.] Unpliant; unyielding; c
 grained; harsh; unmanageable; as *ch*
ish metal. *Al*

4. Hard; firm; as a *churlish* knot.

5. Obstinate; as a *churlish* knot.