

## Church Family - cont.

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We are the household of God (Ephesians 2:19) – a family with a foundation.

We are the house of God (1 Timothy 3:15) – a family with a purpose.

We are the house of Christ (Hebrews 3:6) – a family with a Son over us.

We are a spiritual house (1 Peter 2:5) – a family with a spiritual work.

We are children of obedience (1 Peter 1:14) – a family that is not like the world.

We are a brotherhood (1 Peter 2:17; 1 John 3:13-19; 4:7,20-21) – a family that loves each other.

We are called children of God (1 John 3:1-2,10; 5:10) – a family not accept by the world.

Looking for a church family? Why not come be a part of a New Testament church in your area that is the family of God. - *Chris Reeves*

## Sentence Sermons

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- Revenge is like biting the dog after it bites you.
- Express gratitude sincerely, receive gratitude humbly, and expect gratitude rarely.
- People look to preachers outside the pulpit to know what they mean when they are in it.
- Experience should increase our wisdom and decrease our folly.

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## THE WARFIELD BULLETIN

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.  
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

# Looking For A Church Family?

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There are still people today “looking for a church family”. People you work with, people you go to school with, your neighbors, etc. They either have not been “in church” for a long time, or they are looking to “make a change”.

Often, if you ask a person today where he or she “goes to church”, they will respond that they do not go anywhere. Then, they follow up with “I’ve been looking for a church family”. This makes for a good opportunity to with them about the Lord’s church found in the New Testament and found today in their community.

## **What Are You Looking For?**

Some say, “I’m looking for a church that is large and fast growing.” This is not the right thing to look for because a large group of people today are traveling the broad road that leads to destruction (Matthew 7:13-14; Luke 13:23-24).

Some say, “I’m looking for a church like the one I was raised in.” This is not the right thing to look for because a person could be raised in the wrong church to start with. This

person, like Paul, needs to make a change and come to Christ and his church (Galatians 1:13-16; Philippians 3:5-10).

Some say, “I’m looking for a church that is conveniently located near my home.” This is not the right thing to look for because we could be worshipping close to home and still be wrong (John 4:20-24).

Some say, “I’m looking for a church with popular people in it.” This is not the right thing to look for because Paul said that not many mighty or noble are called (1 Corinthians 1:12,26; 3:7).

Some say, “I’m looking for a church that has a dynamic speaker.” This is not the right thing to look for because Paul said that he did not speak with persuasive words of wisdom, but with the power of God (1 Corinthians 2:1-5).

Some say, “I’m looking for a church with friendly people.” This alone is not the right thing to look for because a group of people can be friendly to you, but not to each other (Galatians 5:15).

Some say, “I’m looking for a church that holds to the teaching I believe in.”

This is not the right thing to look for because you could be in a church that teaches error and false doctrine instead of the truth (Revelation 2:14-15).

Some say, “I’m looking for a church that has a well-known reputation.” This is not the right thing to look for because outward reputation does not reflect inward character. Sardis was a church with a “name” but they were dead spiritually (Revelation 3:1).

## **We Are A Family**

The Lord’s church is a family. We are the sons of God (Romans 8:12-17; Galatians 3:26-27) – a family with a Spirit-led life.

We are children of promise (Galatians 4:28-31) – a family that is free.

We are the household of the faith (Galatians 6:10) – a family with a standard.

We are beloved children (Ephesians 5:1,8; Philippians 2:15) – a family with a divine example.