



THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE CHURCH

BEING A PARTICIPANT INVOLVES _____

And Simon Peter answered and said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal {this} to you, but My Father who is in heaven. "And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades shall not overpower it. - Matt 16:16-18

“Peter” – *petros* = _____

“rock” – *petra* = _____, _____

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1. God must have _____ of you

Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. – Romans 12:1

2. The world must have _____ of you

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. – Romans 12:2

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For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. And since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, {let each exercise them accordingly} if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith; if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching; or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. - Rom 12:4-8

1. Why Serve?

As each one has received a {special} gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. Whoever speaks, {let him

speaking,} as it were, the utterances of God; whoever serves, {let him do so} as by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. - 1 Pet 4:10-11

We are to serve to bring _____ to God and to _____ up the body.

2. Where Serve?

- **P** _____

- **L** _____

for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure. - Phil 2:13

- **A** _____

- **C** _____

Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, {each of us is to exercise them accordingly;} - Rom 12:6

- **E** _____

You have taken account of my wanderings; Put my tears in Your bottle. Are they not in Your book? - Psalm 56:8