

# Allowing the Church To Be the Church

Jesus' Pattern For His Church

Matthew 16:18, Matthew 16:13-20,  
Colossians 1:24-29

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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.

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The Church Jesus  
is building is a  
body of born-  
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- ◉ Matthew 28:18-20

## **Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV)**

<sup>18</sup> Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."



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- People on the other side of the street and people on the other side of the globe.



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Jesus is at work  
today! Let Him  
begin a GREAT  
WORK in you!