

# Great Slogans Of The Restoration Movement

- We are not “members” of the Restoration movement – we are members of the New Testament church

- 1. “No creed but Christ, no book but the Bible”

- In a world of many religious groups with their own man made creeds – our brethren confessed no human creed – only Jesus Christ as the Son of the living God

## Mt. 16:16

- **[16]** And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God

- They recognized no document as the authority in religious matters except the Bible

## 2 Tim. 3:16-17

- **[16]** All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:  
**[17]** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

- To confess Christ and follow the Bible is a way that is right and cannot be wrong



- 2. “Do Bible things in Bible ways; call Bible things by Bible names”

- Men wore human names of identification

- Methodist

- Presbyterian

- Baptist

- Lutheran

- Holiness

- Seventh Day Adventist

- The restores took the God-given name of Christian

- Acts 11:26

- [26]...And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

- The terms “mass” and “eucharist” were no longer used with reference to the Lord’s Supper

- The restores simply used the phrase, “the Lord’s Supper”
- **1 Cor. 11:20**
- **[20]** When ye come together therefore into one place, this is not to eat the Lord's supper

- The unscriptural practice of sprinkling and pouring were stopped

- These brethren who left the religions of men spoke of baptism as a “burial” – for that is how it is taught in the Scriptures

## Rom. 6:3-4

- [3] Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?  
[4] Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

## Acts 2:38

- **[38]** Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost

## Acts 8:38-39

- **[38]** And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.  
**[39]** And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

- Preachers were no longer called “pastor” or “reverend” or “father”

- They were called ministers, evangelists, brethren



## Mt. 23:8-9

- [8] But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren.  
[9] And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

## 1 Tim. 4:6

- [6] If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.

## 2 Tim. 4:5

- [5] But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry

- 3. “Where the Scriptures speak, we speak; where the Scriptures are silent, we are silent”

- “This truth sets forth the fundamental difference between the Lord’s church and the whole of denominationalism.”

- The restorers correctly learned that we can only do what Christ has authorized in the N.T.

# Mt. 28:20

- **[20]** Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

# 1 Cor. 4:6 (ASV)

- <sup>6</sup> Now these things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes; that in us ye might learn not to go beyond the things which are written; that no one of you be puffed up for the one against the other



- To please God we must recognize “the silence of the Scriptures”
- This principle is illustrated in the case of Nadab and Abihu

## Lev. 10:1-2

- [1] And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not.  
[2] And there went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the LORD.

# Acts 15:1

- [1] And certain men which came down from Judaea taught the brethren, and said, Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.

## Acts 15:23-24

- **[23]** And they wrote letters by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brethren send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia:

- [24] Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no such commandment:

- 4. “In matters of faith, unity; in matters of opinion, liberty; in all things, charity (love)”

- These words form a workable plan of unity in a world of divided believers

- **In matters of faith** – this urges all men to humbly accept what is plainly taught in the Scriptures



# Jn. 14:15

- **[15]** If ye love me, keep my commandments.

## Heb. 5:8-9

- [8] Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;  
[9] And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him

- **In matters of liberty** – in matters of judgment that do not affect the salvation of the soul, all are urged to give full liberty to others

## Rom. 14:4-5

- [4] Who art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand.  
[5] One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day alike. Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind

- In all things charity (love) – this urges brotherly love which is essential for unity

## Jn. 13:34-35

- **[34]** A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.  
**[35]** By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

- “We can be most patient, forgiving and tolerant of those we love dearly.”