**WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT THE CHURCH**

***Study 6 – The Nature of the Church (3)***

Introduction-

**I. *THE PEOPLE OF GOD***

**II. *THE BODY OF CHRIST***

**III. *THE FLOCK***

1- The Use of This Metaphor

2- The Ownership of the Flock

3- The Shepherding of the Flock

4- The Subjection of the Flock

**IV. *THE TEMPLE OF GOD***

1- The Composition of the Building

a) The foundation

b) The cornerstone

c) The stones

- lithos

Not petros or petra

2- The Construction of the Building

a) Joining the foundation

b) Fitting the stones

c) Increasing the structure

3- The Nature of the Building

a) A temple- hieron and naos

b) The dwelling place of God

**V. *THE PRIESTHOOD***

1- The Office of Priest

2- The Qualifications of the Priesthood

a) Chosen by God

b) Sanctified by God