## "I Will Build My Church"—Matthew 16:18 Pastor Greg Stiekes

We are often reminded that the "church" isn't a building. The church is made of people. However, in the words of Jesus himself, the church *is* a building. For he said, "I will *build* my church." If it is true that we *are* the church, then we must endeavor to understand the nature of the church and our place in it by appreciating the metaphor of the building that Jesus left for us:

1. Who builds the church?

2. How does he build the church?

3. Who owns the church?