

# SERMON APPLICATION SHEET FOR:

Pastor Tony Felich

The Lord Preserves His Church

Isaiah 54:10-17

May 14, 2017

Sermon Text	Sermon Notes
<p><b>Isaiah 54:10</b> For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed," says the Lord, who has compassion on you. [11] "O afflicted one, storm-tossed and not comforted, behold, I will set your stones in antimony, and lay your foundations with sapphires. [12] I will make your pinnacles of agate, your gates of carbuncles, and all your wall of precious stones. [13] All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children. [14] In righteousness you shall be established; you shall be far from oppression, for you shall not fear; and from terror, for it shall not come near you. [15] If anyone stirs up strife, it is not from me; whoever stirs up strife with you shall fall because of you. [16] Behold, I have created the smith who blows the fire of coals and produces a weapon for its purpose. I have also created the ravager to destroy; [17] no weapon that is fashioned against you shall succeed, and you shall refute every tongue that rises against you in judgment. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord and their vindication from me, declares the Lord."</p>	<p>The purest Churches under heaven are subject both to mixture and error; and some have so degenerated, as to become no Churches of Christ, but synagogues of Satan. Nevertheless, there shall be always a Church on earth to worship God according to His will. (WCF 25.5)</p> <p>I. The Commitment of God to His Church (10)</p> <p>II. The Promises of God to His Church (11-16)</p> <p>III. The Preservation of His Church (17)</p> <p><b>Memory verse for 2017-</b></p> <p>Isaiah 48:17 Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: "I am the LORD your God, who teaches you to profit, who leads you in the way you should go.</p>

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## Sermon Application Questions

1. How does WCF 25.4 help us discern what a "true" church is?  
This catholic Church has been sometimes more, sometimes less visible. And particular Churches, which are members thereof, are more or less pure, according as the doctrine of the Gospel is taught and embraced, ordinances administered, and public worship performed more or less purely in them

2. Discuss the last line of WCF 25.5  
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3. What is the significance of God's commitment to His people in Isaiah 54:10?

4. How does a picture of the future of God's people help the Church in the present time?

5. Read Isaiah 54:17 and discuss: A. How do we refute "accusations" against us as Christians (the Church)? B. How does this verse relate to WCF 25.4 (the last line)?

## Prayer Requests

This week our family will lift up requests for:

This week our family will praise the Lord for:

HFG Notes & Actions:

Next HFG meeting is: