

Just A Christian

In Acts 11:26 Luke records, speaking of Barnabas and Saul, “And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians at Antioch.” It is amazing that when you read of those in the New Testament who determined to pattern their lives after Jesus Christ, that they were simply called “Christians.” Not once in the entire Gospel of Christ will one ever read of a hyphenated Christian – you know, a person carries the name of a denomination along with their “Christian” name. And, did you ever notice that when you ask someone, “What religion are you?” that with most people the reply is, “I’m a (insert denomination name here)!” Almost never to they say, “I’m just a Christian.” I wonder how that makes Christ feel, being second best? After all, it was Christ who died for the sins of man. Why would anyone want to wear a name, other than the name of the One who died for them? There is salvation in no other name (Acts 4:26).

May we at the Cleveland church of Christ assist you in obeying the gospel of Christ, so that you can be just a Christian (Acts 2:38 & 22:16, Mark 16:16)? Join us for worship. Visitors are welcome.