

# The Church the lampstand is to Christ

The Church — The Lampstand of Christ

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1. The	Church	the	lamp	-	stand	is	to	Christ,	Christ	is	the	lamp	with					
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God	as	light;	The	light	di-	vine	from	Christ	doth	shine,	The	Church	upholds	its	glo	-	ry	bright.

2. The light which shines within the lamp  
Is God as life, unique, divine;  
The stand must therefore be of gold  
To match the glory which doth shine.

3. Amid the darkness of this age  
The light of life divine doth beam  
In many centers of mankind  
Where Jesus' testimony's seen.

4. To be this testimony pure  
"First love" to Christ the Church must keep;  
Then from the "tree of life" she may  
The overcomer's portion reap.

5. She must the persecution bear  
That she the "crown of life" may gain;  
Adultery spiritual o'ercome,  
The "hidden manna" to obtain.

6. The deeds of "Jezebel" desert,  
That she may rule the earth with might;  
Defiling deadness overcome  
To be arrayed in "garments white."

7. Like "Philadelphia" she must be  
To keep Christ's word, confess His Name;  
All "lukewarm" pride she must o'ercome  
To feast with Him who overcame.

8. Thus will the Church be purified  
To be the lampstand of pure gold,  
To match the testimony pure,  
The life of Jesus fit to hold.

9. The local churches here on earth  
The lampstands in this age should be;  
The glorious new Jerusalem  
The lampstand in eternity.

10. That city as pure gold will be,  
The final lampstand consummate;  
Christ as the lamp she e'er will hold  
And God's full light will radiate.