

For the Church should be our service

Service — For the Church

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(Guitar)

1. For the Church should be our serv - ice, 'Tis the per - fect will of
God; 'Tis the on - ly way of work - ing Which the Lord's a - pos - tles
trod. **Chorus** (C) For the Church should be our serv - ice, Not our aims to sat - is -
fy; This, the per - fect will of God is, And with it we must com - ply.

2. For 'tis God's eternal purpose
That the Church His vessel be;
He intends that all our service
Build His Church continually.

3. All the gifted persons given
To the Body by the Head
Are to aid the Church's building,
That to fulness she be led.

4. All the gifts and all the functions,
All the spirit's power shown,
All the ministries are given
For the Church and that alone.

5. All the preaching of the Gospel,
All the teaching ministry,
Every other kind of service
For the church alone should be.

6. Ministry is for the Churches,
Not the Church for ministry;
All the lampstands are the Churches,
Not a form of ministry.

7. This will keep the Church's oneness,
Saving us from every sect;
This will ever test our motives,
And our aim will thus correct.

8. Lord, deliver us from our work,
From the work of any sect;
For Thy Church alone we'd labor
And its building up effect.