COUNTERFEIT

Several years ago I was making a large deposit in the bank which included a few 100 bills. The teller used a felt tip pen of some kind and marked those bills, came to one and she said, “This one is counterfeit.” That was my first experience with counterfeit.

Counterfeit means that the money is no good. It cannot be used to purchase merchandise, pay a salary, pay a debt or anything. Therefore it is good for nothing. It cannot live up to it’s promise. Since it looks like money, therefore it promises to do all those things, but it can’t.

Jesus said, “Upon this rock I will build my church,” which He did on the day of Pentecost. (Mat. 16:18; Acts 2) People who were baptized were added to the church after that, (Acts 2:47) and Paul said in Colossians 1:18 “And he is the head of the body, the church:” and further said He is “the savior of the body.” (Eph. 5:23)

What does this mean? It means that all the churches built by men, and after the day of Pentecost, are counterfeit. While they do many works that are recognized as good by the people of the world, they make a claim they cannot fulfill. They promise people salvation but cannot deliver, because they are counterfeit, therefore they are impotent.

One must believe the Bible, follow the Bible, do what the Bible says in order to be genuine and be saved according to the instruction of God. Counterfeit will not do!