

why we should love our Church, and cling to it as something that we really value ?

Let me then put myself in the place of any plain, simple person, and ask myself, 'Why am I a *Churchman* ?'

1. My first and foremost reason is, that *I believe my Church to be formed after the Scripture model.*

Our blessed Lord, before He left this world, gave certain directions as regards the Framework of His Church. These directions, however, were not many: a few only have been handed down to us in the New Testament.

It seems to have been the will of Christ that for a while His Church should be watched over by *the Apostles*. But after a few years these Apostles all died and passed away. And then *Bishops* were appointed, who were to take the place of the Apostles, were to act as overseers of the whole Christian body, and were to ordain men as ministers in the Church.