

The Way: *Hodos* in the New Testament

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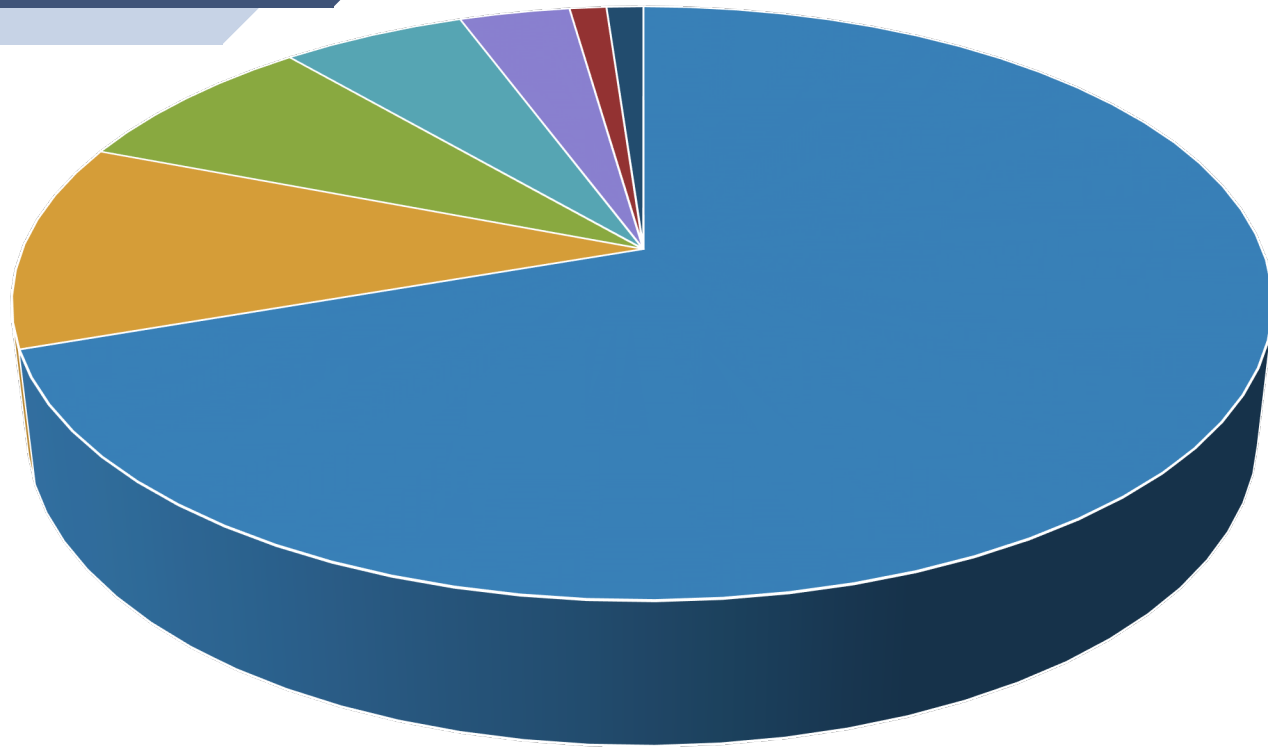


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“ ὁδός

- *hodos*
- 101 uses in the New Testament
- “road, way, path”



- way
- ways
- way side
- journey
- highways
- as they went

How the KJV translates *hodos*

The Way in Acts

9:2 And [Saul] desired . . . that if he found any of ~~they~~, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem

19:9 But when divers were hardened, and ~~spoke~~ evil of that way before the multitude . . .

19:23 And the same time there arose no small stir about that

Is it literal, metaphorical, or both?

And the angel . . .
spoke . . . saying,
. . . go . . . unto the
way (*hodos*) that
goeth down from
Jerusalem
--Acts 8:26

Literal

Woe unto them! for
they have gone in
the way (*hodos*)
of Cain
– Jude 1:11

Metaphorical

Mark 1:23

2 As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Mark 2:23

23 And it came to pass, that he went through the corn fields on the sabbath day; and his disciples began as they went to pluck the ears of corn.

Mark 8:23

2 I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat:

3 And if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way for divers of them came from far.

Mark 8:27-34

27 ¶ And Jesus went out . . . and by the way he asked his disciples, saying. . . Whom do men say that I am? . . .

31 And he began ~~to~~ teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected . . . and after three days rise again.

32 . . . And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him.

33 But when [Jesus] had turned about and looked on his disciples, he rebuked Peter, saying, Get thee behind me, Satan: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men.

34 ¶ . . . he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

Mark 9:33-34

33 And [Jesus] came to Capernaum: and being in the house he asked [the disciples], What was it that ye disputed among yourselves the way?

34 But they held their peace: for the way they had disputed among themselves, who should be the greatest.

Mark 10:46, 52

46 And they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimæus, the son of Timæus, sat by the highway side begging.

52 And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

Organization of Mark

In Galilee
(1:1-8:21)

On the Way
(8:22-10:52)

In Jerusalem
(11:1-16:8)

8:27

9:33

10:32

Matthew 5:25

25 Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.

Matthew 7:13-14

13 ¶ Enter ye in at the ~~strait~~ gate: for wide ~~is~~ the gate, and broad ~~is~~ the way that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

14 Because ~~strait~~ is the gate, and narrow ~~is~~ the way, which leadeth unto ~~life~~, and few there be that find it.

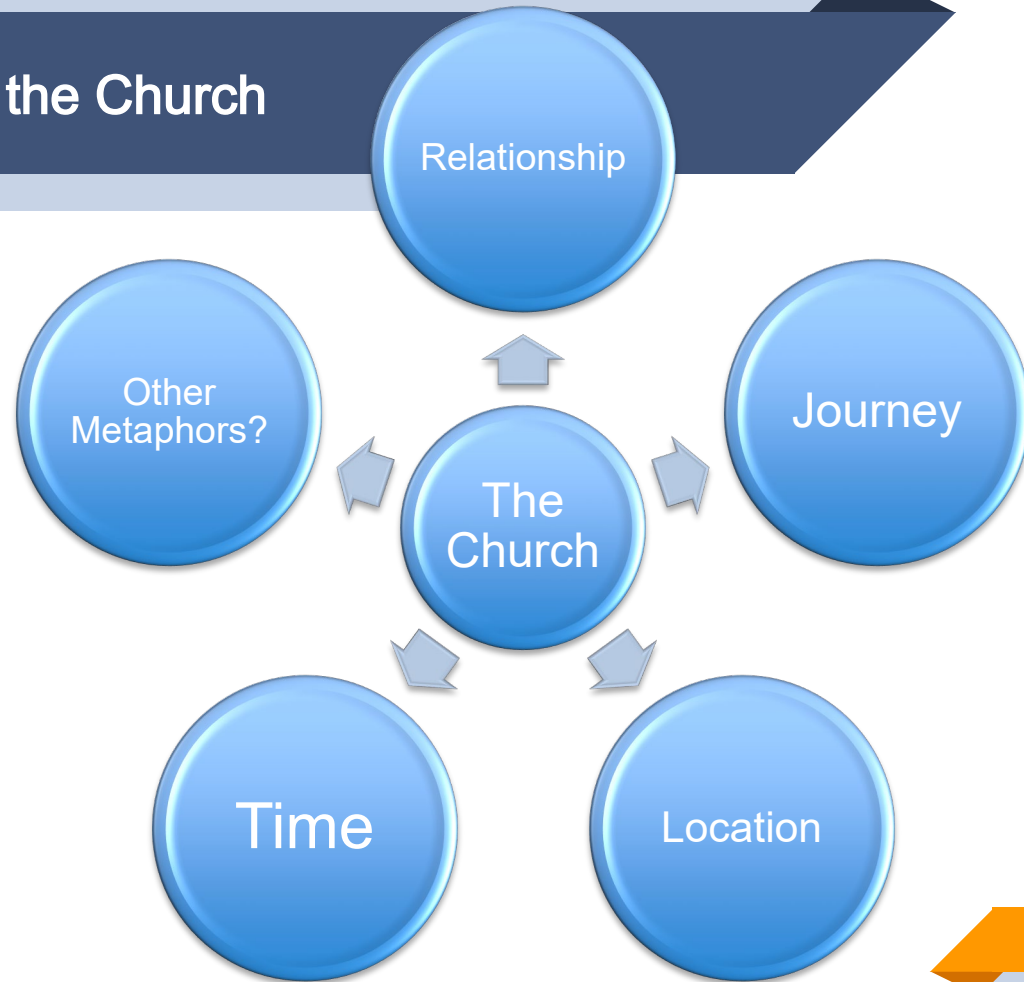
Matthew 8:28

28 ¶ And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.

Luke 24:32

32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way and while he opened to us the scriptures?

Metaphors for the Church



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