Big C and Little c

NOTES:
The Church is a new testament phenomenon. Linked in with the rock in the book of Daniel (that came and smashed the idol and filled the whole earth).

Big C is built on the foundation of who Jesus is. He is the cornerstone and the foundation. Thou art Peter (gk. Petros - a piece of rock) ~ Matt 16:18. Upon this rock (Petra ~ A mass of rock) I will build my church (ekklesia - Called out ones).

Messiah
MESSIAH, a. [Heb. anointed.] Christ, the anointed; the Savior of the world.

I know that when Messiah cometh, who is called Christ, he will tell us all things. Jesus answered her, I that speak to thee am he. John 4.

The ROCK - "Thou (Jesus) art the Christ (Christos - Anointed, the Messiah), the Son of the living (Zao - live/quick) God (theos - the supreme Divinity).
This is the foundation of the Church of living God, under the new covenant in the earth. Called out ones from the world system, those who have had the propitiation of Christ and His finished work on the cross applied to their lives.

It is an individual calling, not a group calling:

Joh 10:3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.
Rev 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Always the emphasis placed on the individual and free will choice and decision to accept or reject light and truth.

Psa 95:7 For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
Today if ye will hear his voice,
Psa 95:8 Harden not your heart, as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness:
Psa 95:9 When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my work.
Psa 95:10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways:
Psa 95:11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath that they should not enter into my rest.

The process:
All born into bondage/slavery/sin/world system (due to the fall). A point comes where God calls, the chosen respond. He calls them out of the world system and into the wilderness where he burns the world out of them, brings them to an end of themselves. It is a death to self and to the world system (you won't do what it says, you will only do what God says). THEN God chose and sends those who are His into the world where they are in it, but not of it.

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Joh 17:15  I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.
Joh 17:16  They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

The BIG C

1Co 1:2  Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:
1Co 1:3  Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

LITTLE "c"

A demonic plot carried out over generations to attempt to thwart the truth, sideline the gospel, confuse the called out ones and compromise the leadership in the body of Christ. What is the little "c"? It is the satanic counterfeit to the real thing. The little “c” has the classic markings of the world system (hierarchy, lording over others, man/human personalities set up as saviors). Rules, ritual, manmade system of control, group think as given by the leader (man), not as led by the Spirit directly.

When God calls one out, they work quickly to pull them back in. It is why the followers of Christ are overcomers, it starts with overcoming that control and the boldness to walk out despite every obstacle placed in your way by the world. And it's the way that God tests His bride, to see if they really love Him and are committed to Him above all others. If not, they will fail and fall and turn back quickly. The only way they will make it is if He is number one and the ruler above all things in their own hearts. If not to them, then they will stop short. And little c works to make them stop short so that they don’t get activated in life and their calling (which part of it is to destroy the works of the devil, which includes exposing them and the scam that they are).

Little c markers - Human personality, Man approving man (approval of man, not of God), degrees on the wall when it is God who calls and assigns, approved by the institutions of men. Programs, form of godliness that denies the power there of. Surrounded by teachers that tell them what their itching ears want to hear. Focus on the material/carnal (what you can see) Vs. Big C (what you hear, that still small voice of the Spirit of God). Focus is on buildings, congregation size, attractive programs, and numbers. Distortion of God's spiritual order as well. Pastor is out of place in their system. Keeper of the money bag, same as Judas, entered by the devil because they help themselves to what is put into it as a thief (huge open door), money bags. Nicolaitans teachings (Revelation 2) - conquer the laity (Us and them) compared to Big C (royal priesthood, all are ministers). Marks - Selfishness, self-centered, My spirituality, My life, my success, MY ministry, MY wife, My kids, My Success in the world. Appeal is carnal as well (Name it and claim it). Utilize witchcraft techniques in rebellion to God, doing things using Jesus Name (Matt 7) yet never know Him. Search for power, control, pleasure, possession, position (it's why they wear purple shirts/collars and the like - to set themselves apart carnally and in the natural because that is where their kingdom is).

Their ministers transform themselves into angels of righteousness -
2Co 11:13  For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.
2Co 11:14  And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.
2Co 11:15  Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

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The way you can tell the difference is the spirit behind them (sheep know HIS voice, and they won't follow another). If you go by the way things look you will likely be deceived because they often LOOK the part better than the real ones.

The focus of Little c is to have an experience (and the demonic works with the leadership to provide you that). God allows it because those there refuse to love the truth so he turns them over to a powerful delusion. There is no true inner peace/abundant life inside that delusion, rather a week to week fix while those souls held captive by their free will continue to slave to build the world system and block out the true light of God.

NOTE: SOME Little "c"s exist within the Big "c", however the majority do not. Visually similar but spiritually different. How you know that a Little "c" is part of the Big "C". Primary loyalty is not to Caesar but to Christ when put in the press and in decision time. Cannot serve both God and Mammon, they love one and hate the other, serve one and despise the other.

**Joh 19:15** But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar.

E.g. In the USA this would be taking of 501c3 status which regulates what can also be said and spoken and compromises the leadership within. 501c3 is fine for social service and charity work, not for absolute truth and the gospel. Primary loyalty is not to the state but to God, when it is tested they are not careful in responding in that matter (Daniel 3).

Role of the leadership (is it part of the priest hood of all believers or is it an "us and them" setup?) Do you need them less today than you did yesterday? Are they working themselves out of a job OR creating dependents? (Eph 4)