



## WHAT IS A CHURCH?

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Perhaps the greatest service that could be rendered to Church-Members would be to convert them to Christianity. For Christ's teaching consists in "follow me" and "go."

It's hard for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom, but it's easy for him to get on the Church board of trustees!

**CHURCH MEMBER DEFINED:** One who believes that the Bible is a book admirably suited to the spiritual needs of his neighbor. A church-member is one who follows the teachings of Christ in so far as they are not inconsistent with a life of sin.

Every CHURCH (no matter what the name) should be engaged in continuous self-reformation. Ever hear of the 7 Churches of Asia?

The Greek word translated in our Bibles as CHURCH, (also the Hebrew word) does not refer to a building.

It is an assembly of people. A company of people with an objective.--- To Worship!

If you speak of THE CHURCH (Ecclesia), which is the Body of Christ. Then you must remember that the description of this Body is that of a HEAD which controls every member of the Body...Does Christ control you?

Christ is not divided into man-governed CHURCHES with Overseers, Supervisors, Popes, etc., and no member of that Body can say that it has no need of any one of the other members...But, that membership is known of Christ alone...

No CHURCH such as the Roman Catholic, or Anglican Catholic, Episcopalian, or any Protestant CHURCH or CHURCHES can decide within themselves that it is the---CHURCH OF CHRIST, CHURCH OF GOD, ASSEMBLY OF GOD etc., to the exclusion of others...

We are God's Chosen Few....  
All others will be damned.  
There is no place in glory for you,  
We don't want Heaven crammed!

We hear a lot about "ecumenism." Of 'getting together' obtaining Unity amongst all the CHURCHES. Who is to decide that which we "unify" on? ECUMENISTS are like blind men in a dark room searching for a black cat which isn't there---and finding it!

The Bible would have us learn that God places each member in the Body as it pleases Him. That BODY is not discerned by orthodox or of human judgment or decision. It is being developed apart from that.

An individual follower of Christ can be experiencing membership in the Mystical Body and growing in grace while every nominal Church system rejects him as an heretic, and usually they all reject him on differing subjects as did the Pharisees...The LORD knowth them that are His; and let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.