

*HOW TO BE
UNDENOMINATIONAL IN
A DENOMINATIONAL
WORLD.*

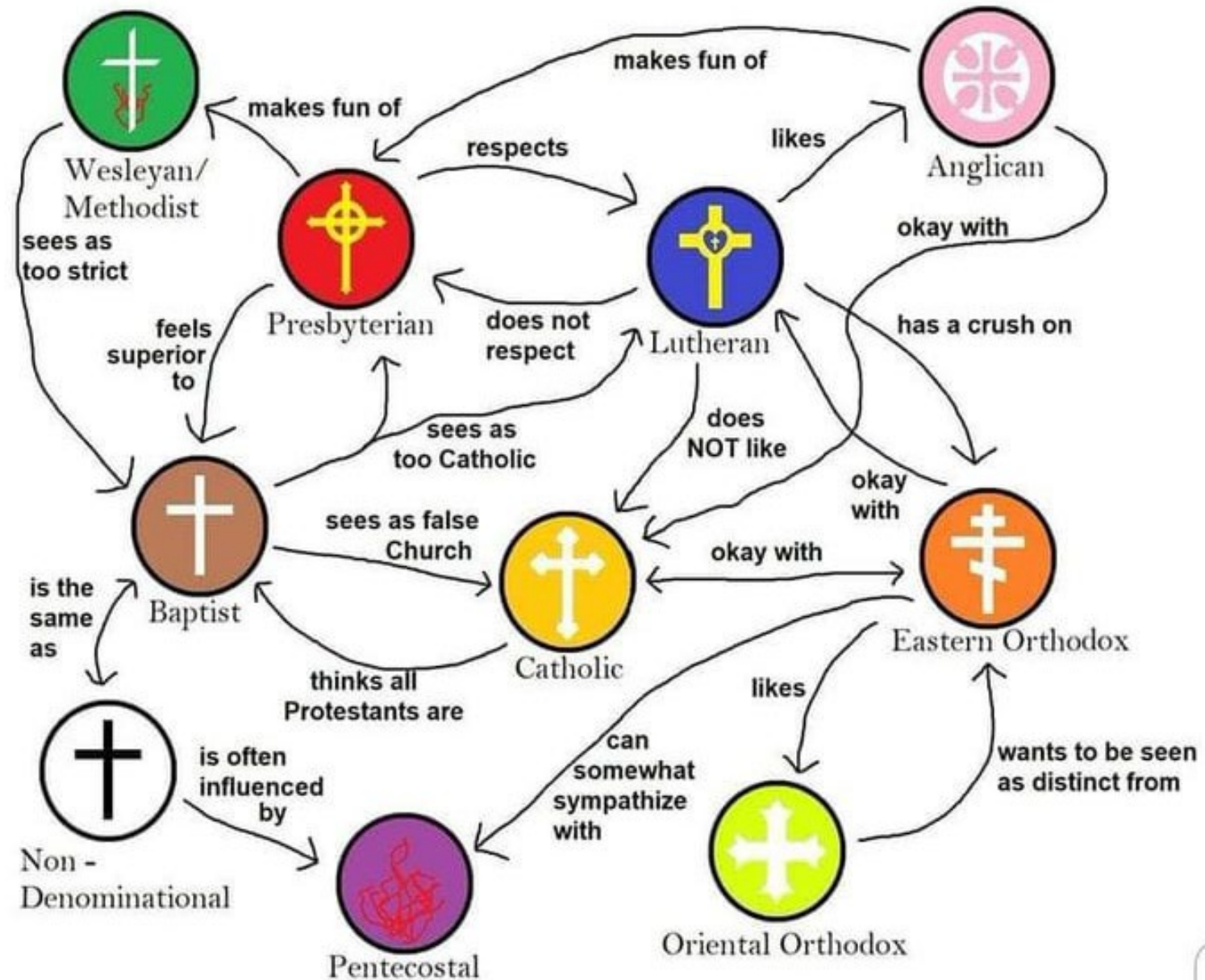
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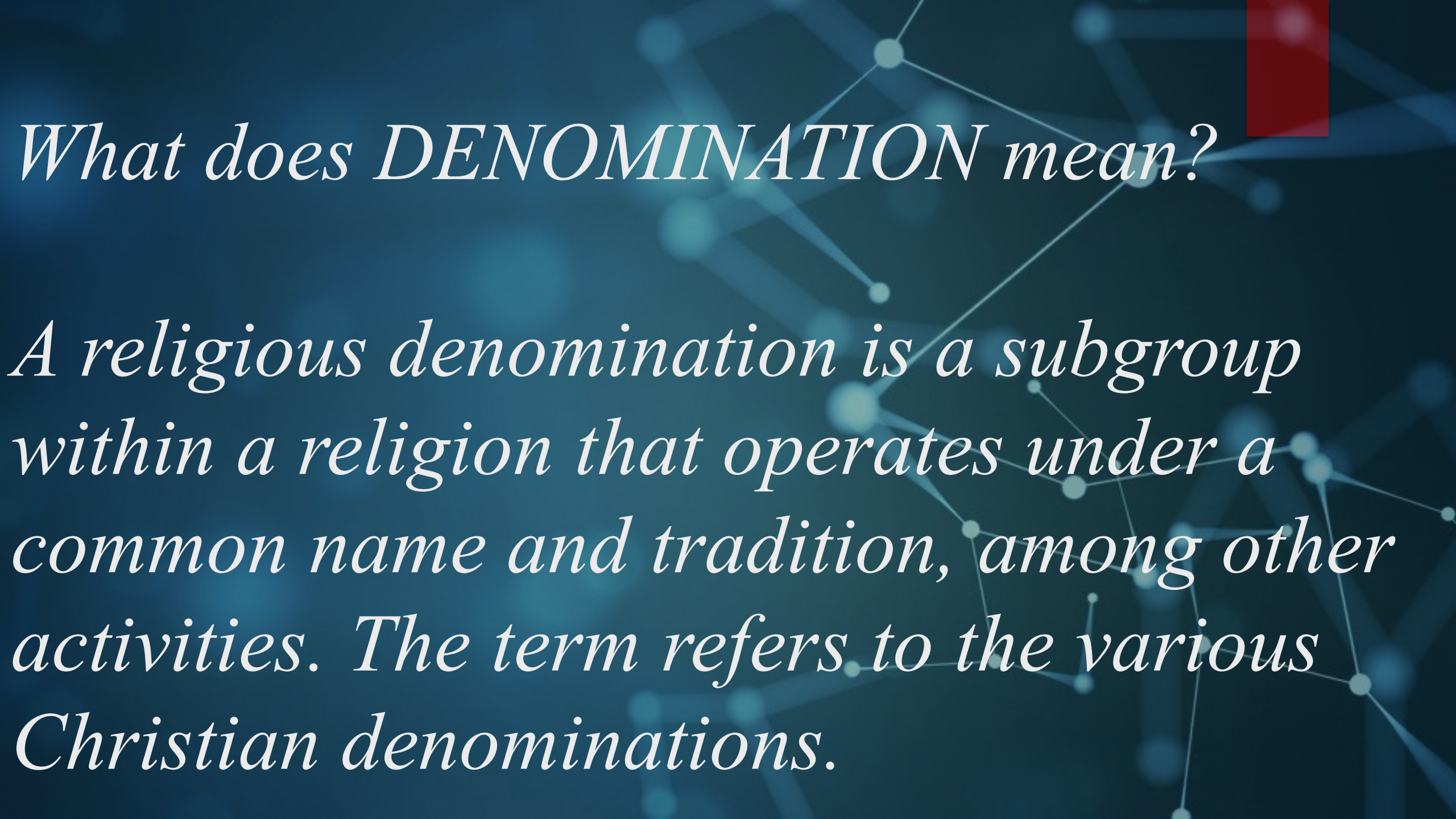


- *AGENDA FOR TONIGHT*
- *DENOMINATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS & DEFINITION*
- *TEACH & PRACTICE THE CHURCH IS ONE*
- *TEACH & PRACTICE THAT CHRIST DESIRE FOR US TO BE ONE*
- *TEACH & PRACTICE THAT THE WORD IS TRUTH & THE SEED*
- *TEACH & PRACTICE THAT WE ARE TEACHERS NOT JUDGES*

DENOMINATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

Relations between denominations





What does DENOMINATION mean?

A religious denomination is a subgroup within a religion that operates under a common name and tradition, among other activities. The term refers to the various Christian denominations.

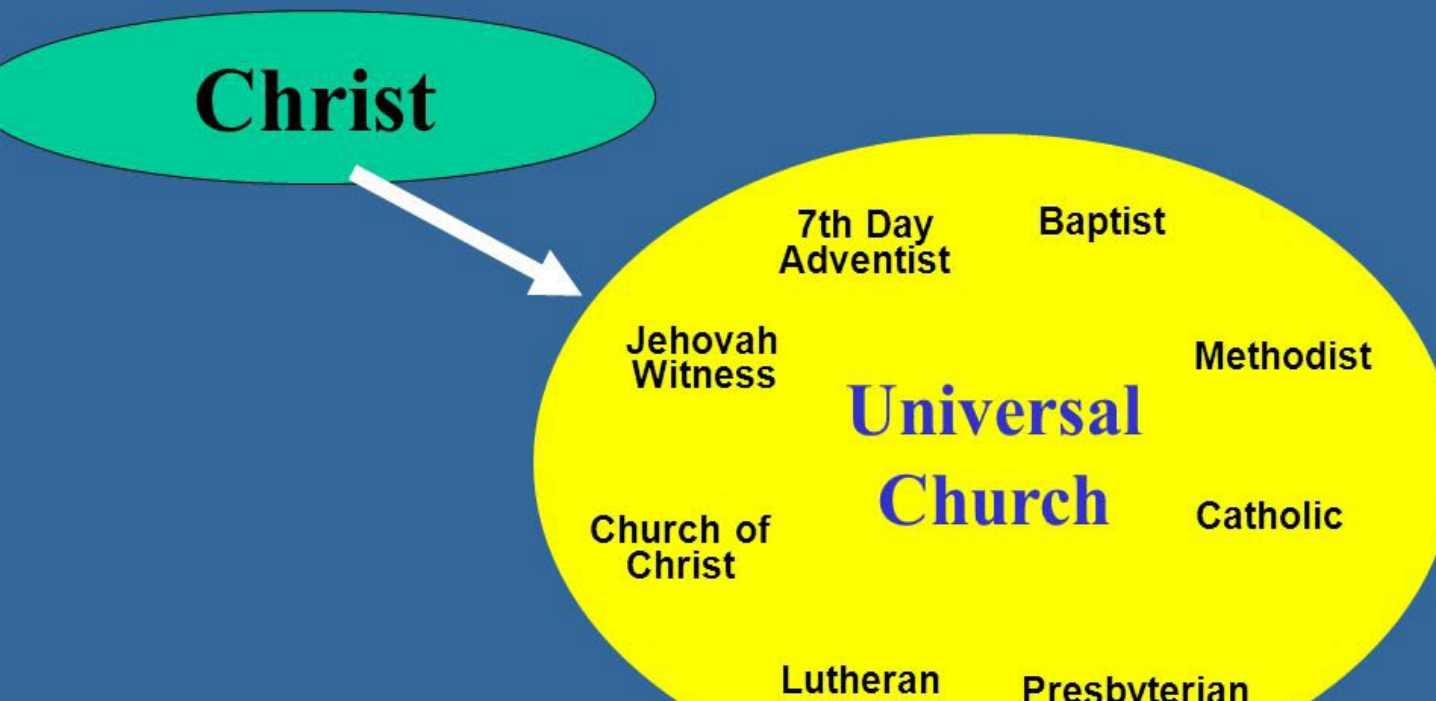
WHAT IS A DENOMINATION



THE ONENESS OF CHRIST – WHAT THE ONENESS IS NOT

What is your view of the Universal Church?

The most popular view in recent times is that the universal church is made up of all the denominations



What does UNDENOMINATION mean?

"Undenominational" means not affiliated with a specific religious denomination or group. It describes something that is not restricted to or associated with a particular religious organization. This term is often used in the context of schools, churches, or other institutions that aim to be inclusive and not promote a specific denominational viewpoint.

WE NEED TO RELY ON GOD'S WORD & WISDOM

Proverbs 14:12

*“There is a way which seemeth right unto a man,
but the end thereof are the ways of death.”*

ISSUES WITH DENOMINATIONAL CONCEPT

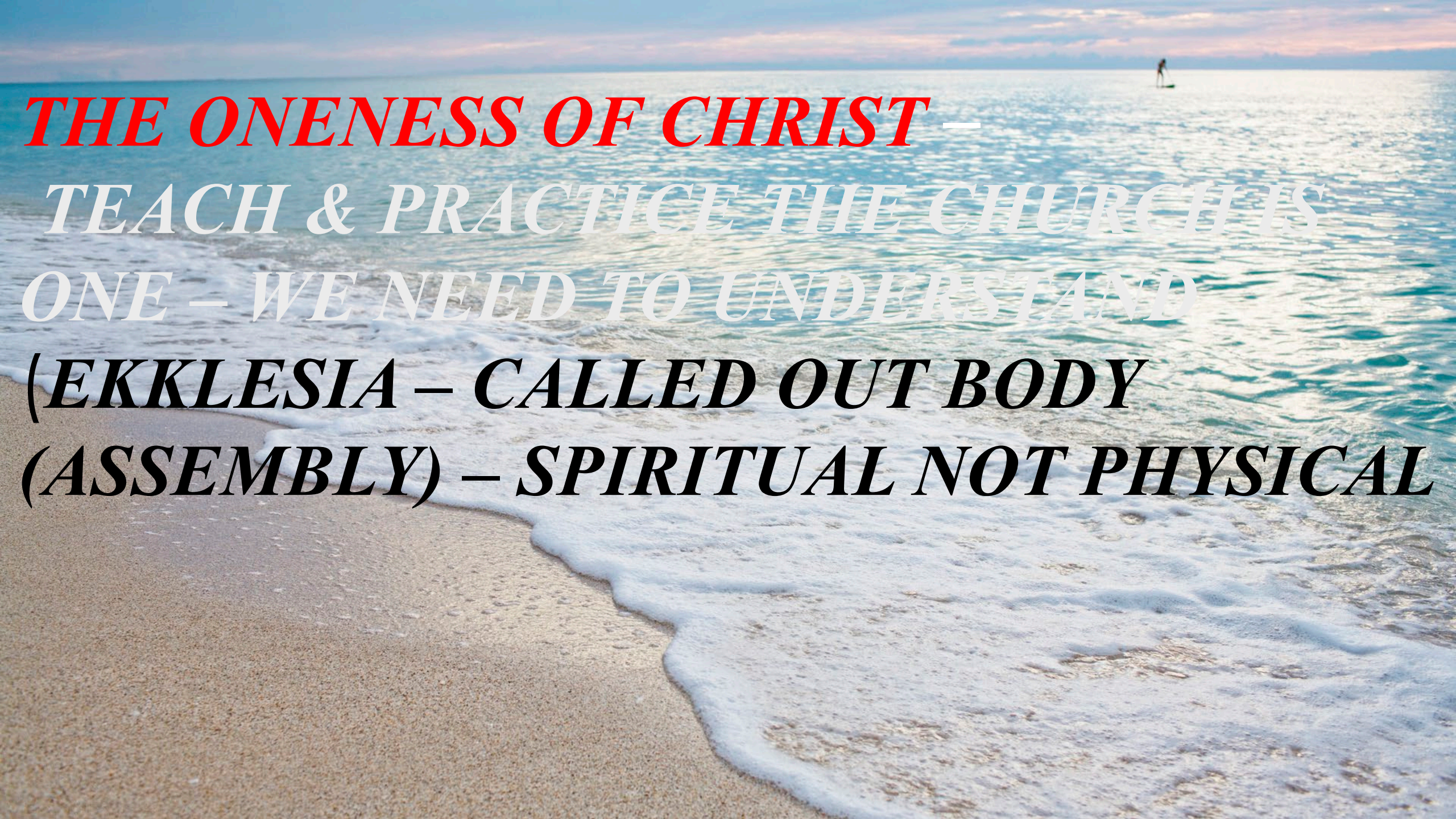
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1. FAITH

2. REPENTANCE

3. BAPTISM





THE ONENESS OF CHRIST –
TEACH & PRACTICE THE CHURCH IS
ONE – WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND
(EKKLESIA – CALLED OUT BODY
(ASSEMBLY) – SPIRITUAL NOT PHYSICAL

THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

ISAIAH 2:2-3 – THE INTENTION FOR JUST ONE CHURCH



2. *“And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD'S **house** shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.” (SINGULAR)*



“And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.”

THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

MATTHEW 16:18 – THE PRICE OF THE CHURCH
– THE PROMISED CHURCH

- *“And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.” (Church is singular)*

IF CHRIST BUILT ONE CHURCH

There are an estimated 45,000 Christian denominations worldwide. This number reflects the vast diversity within Christianity, with various groups interpreting scripture and practicing their faith in different ways. Some publications even state this number as of 2024.

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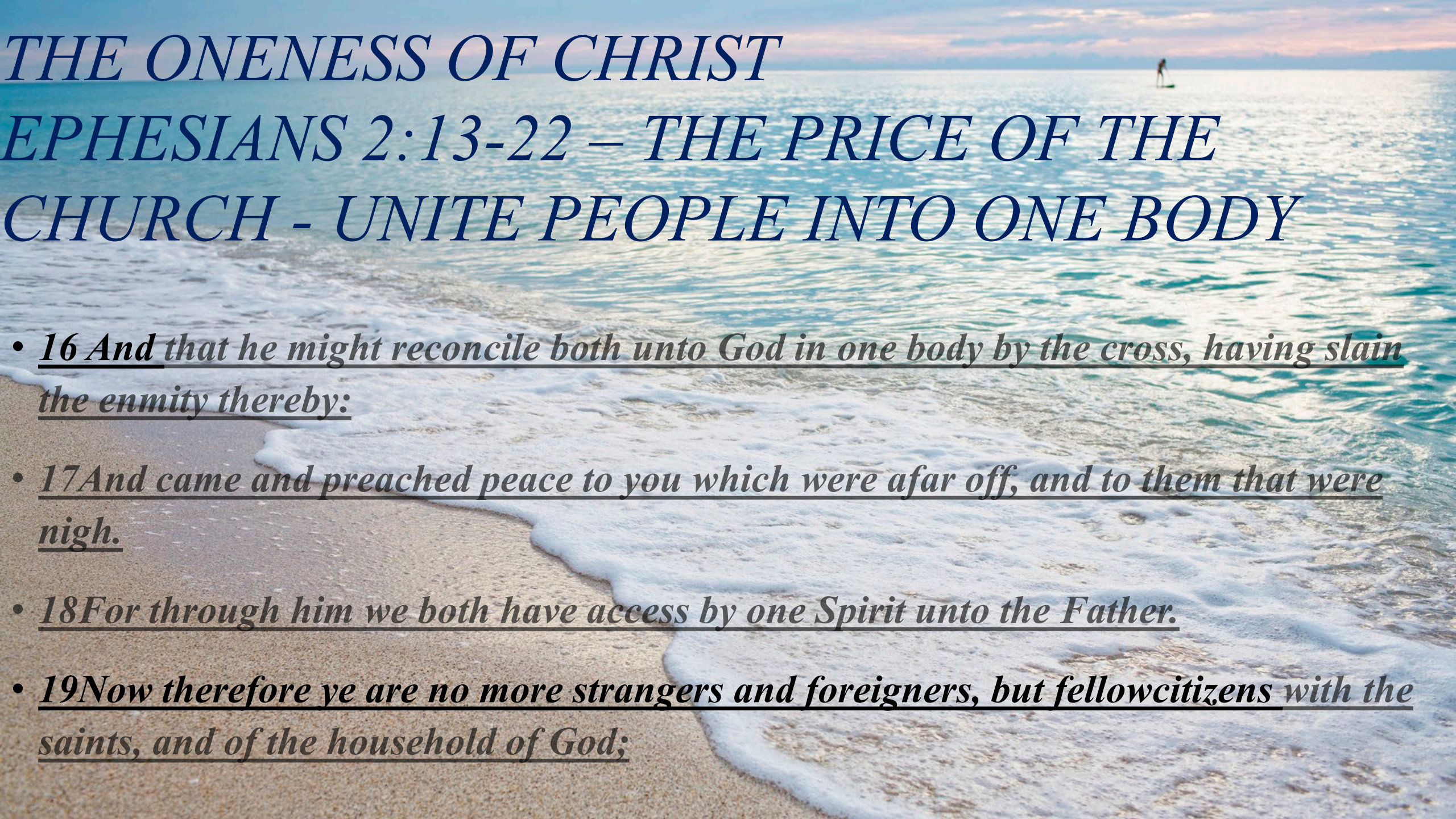
EPHESIANS 3:9-11 – THE CHURCH ORIGIN

- 9 “And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:
- 10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,
- 11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

EPHESIANS 2:13-22 – THE PRICE OF THE CHURCH - UNITE PEOPLE INTO ONE BODY

- 13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.
- 14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;
- 15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;



THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

EPHESIANS 2:13-22 – THE PRICE OF THE CHURCH - UNITE PEOPLE INTO ONE BODY

- *16 And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:*
- *17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.*
- *18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.*
- *19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;*

EPHESIANS 2:13-22 – THE PRICE OF THE CHURCH - UNITE PEOPLE INTO ONE BODY

- *20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;*
- *21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord;*
- *22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.*

THE ONENESS OF CHRIST
*ACTS 20:28 – THE PRICE OF THE CHURCH –
BLOOD OF CHRIST*

- *“Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed **the** church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.”*

THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

*EPHESIANS 4:5 – THE REALITY IS ONE
BODY (CHURCH)*

- *“There is **one** body, and one Spirit, even as ye are
called
in one hope of your calling;”*

THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

ACTS 2:41-47 – THE LORD ADDED TO THE ONE CHURCH

- *⁴¹ Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.*
- *⁴² And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.*
- *⁴³ And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.*
- *⁴⁴ And all that believed were together, and had all things common;*

THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

ACTS 2:41-47 – THE LORD ADDED TO THE ONE CHURCH

- *⁴⁵ And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.*
- *⁴⁶ And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,*
 - *“Praising God, and having favour with all the people.*
 - *And **the** Lord*
 - *added to the church daily such as should be saved.”*



THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

EPHESIANS 1:22-23 – THE REALITY IS ONE BODY (CHURCH)

- *²² And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to **the church**,*
- *²³ Which is **his body**, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.*



THE ONENESS OF CHRIST –
*TEACH & PRACTICE THAT CHRIST
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*JOHN 17:20-21 – JESUS PRAYS THAT WE
ALL BE ONE*

- *“Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;”*
- *“That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.”*

I CORINTHIANS 1:10

“Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.”



I CORINTHIANS 1:10 UNITY

- ▶ *I Corinthians 1:10 is a call for unity within the Christian church, specifically the church in Corinth. Paul urges believers to be in agreement, to avoid divisions, and to be united in their thinking and judgment. This emphasis on unity is rooted in the believers' shared identity in Christ and their common allegiance to Him as Lord.*
- ***In the Name of Jesus Christ:***
 - ▶ *Paul's appeal is made "in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ," highlighting the authority and significance of Christ's name and the importance of unity within his body.*
- ***Agreement and Unity:***
 - ▶ *Paul urges the Corinthians to "agree" and to be "perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." This highlights the need for doctrinal and relational harmony within the church.*
- ***No Divisions:***
 - ▶ *The call for unity is further emphasized by Paul's plea that there be "no divisions" among them. This directly addresses the issue of factions and disagreements that were present in the Corinthian church.*

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I CORINTHIANS 1:12-13

*12 Now this I say, that every one of you
saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos;
and I of Cephas; and I of Christ C*

*13 Is Christ divided? was Paul
crucified for you? or were ye bapt
in the name of Paul?*



THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

I Corinthians 12:12-13 – BAPTIZED INTO ONE BODY

- *12. “For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.”*
- *13. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.*

THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

ROMANS 12:4-5 – MANY MEMBERS ONE BODY

- ⁴ *For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:*
- ⁵ *So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.*

THE ONENESS OF CHRIST

GALATIANS 3:26-28 – BAPTIZED INTO THE ONE CHRIST

26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

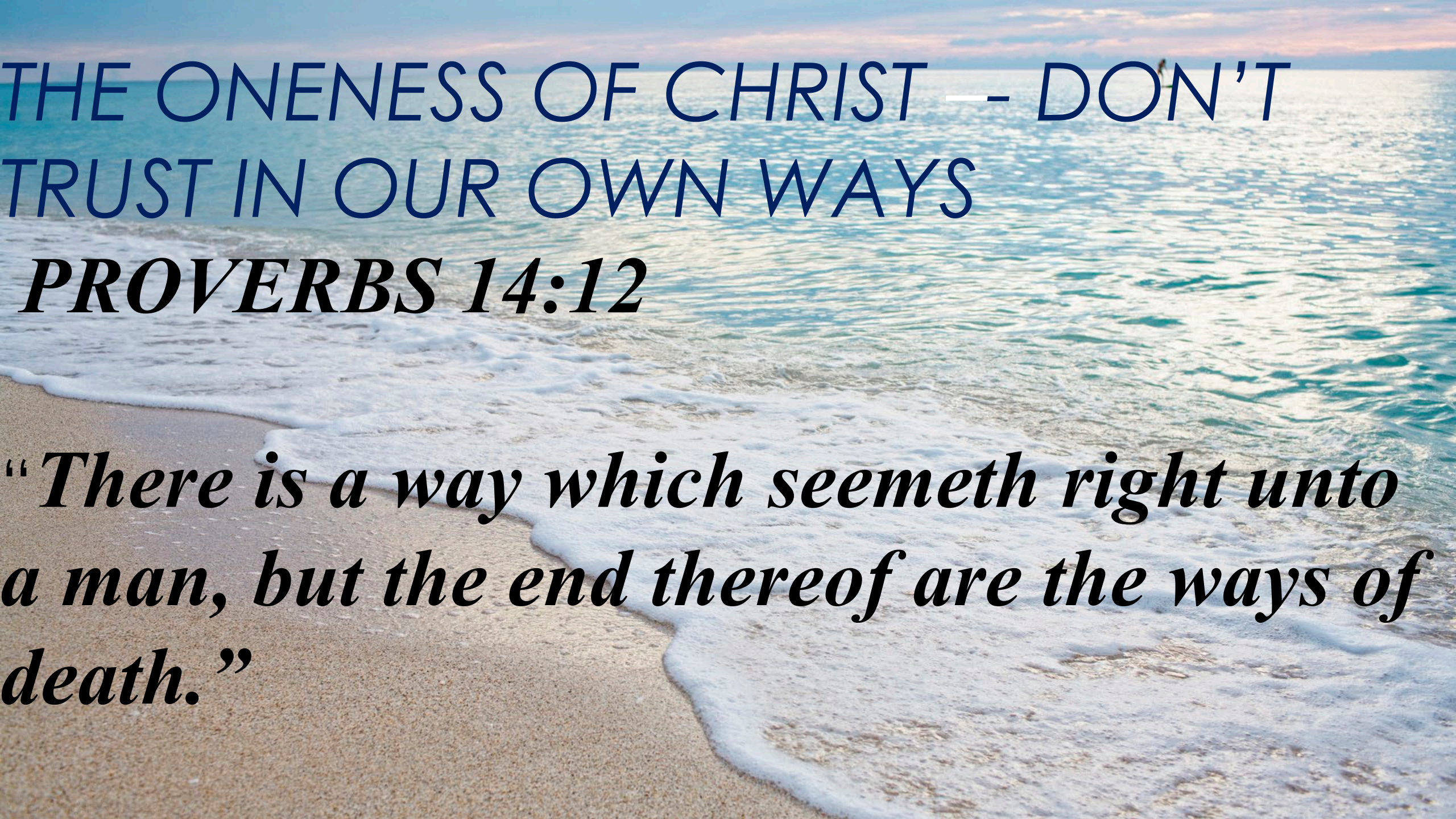
27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus



THE ONENESS OF CHRIST –

*TEACH & PRACTICE – THE WORD IS
TRUTH & THE SEED*



THE ONENESS OF CHRIST – DON'T
TRUST IN OUR OWN WAYS

PROVERBS 14:12

*“There is a way which seemeth right unto
a man, but the end thereof are the ways of
death.”*

ALL SCRIPTURE IS GOD BREATH

• II TIMOTHY 3:16-17

¹⁶ All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

¹⁷ That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

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THE WORD IS TRUTH – John 17:13-17

¹³ And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

¹⁴ I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

¹⁵ I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

¹⁷ Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.



JESUS WORDS ARE TRUTH

• JOHN 8:29-32

²⁹ And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.

³⁰ As he spake these words, many believed on him.

³¹ Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

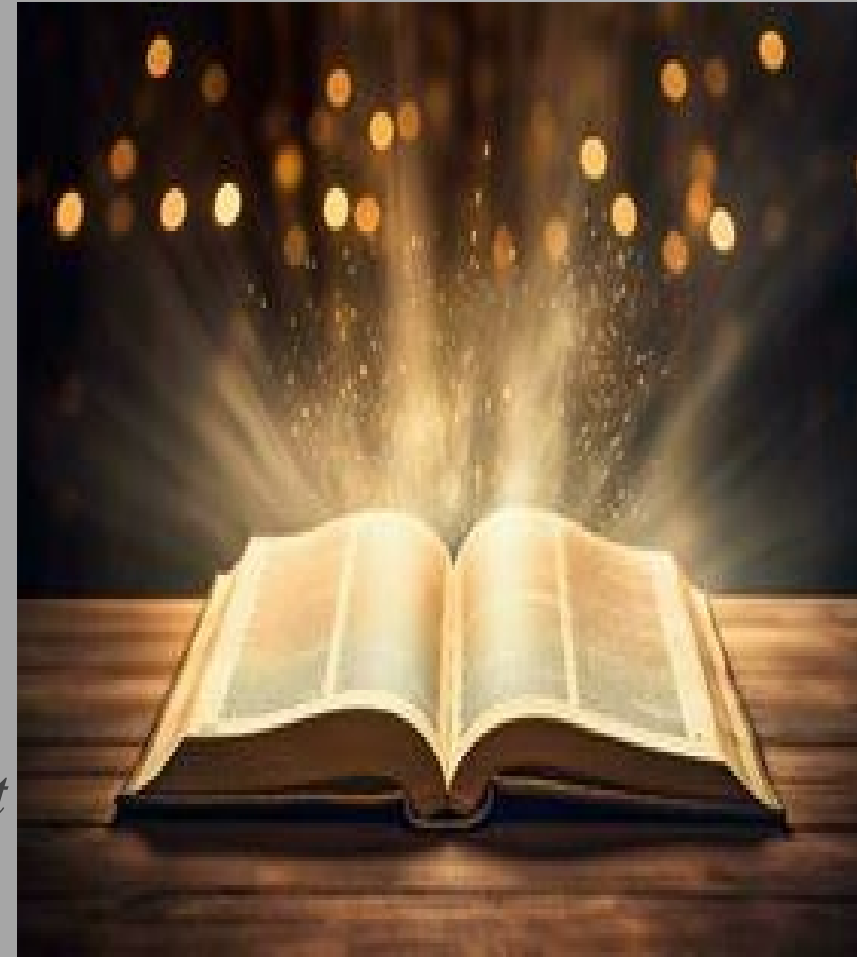
³² And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

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THE SEED IS THE WORD OF GOD – LUKE 8:4-15

- *⁴ And when much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable:*
- *⁵ A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it.*
- *⁶ And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture.*
- *⁷ And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it.*
- *⁸ And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.*



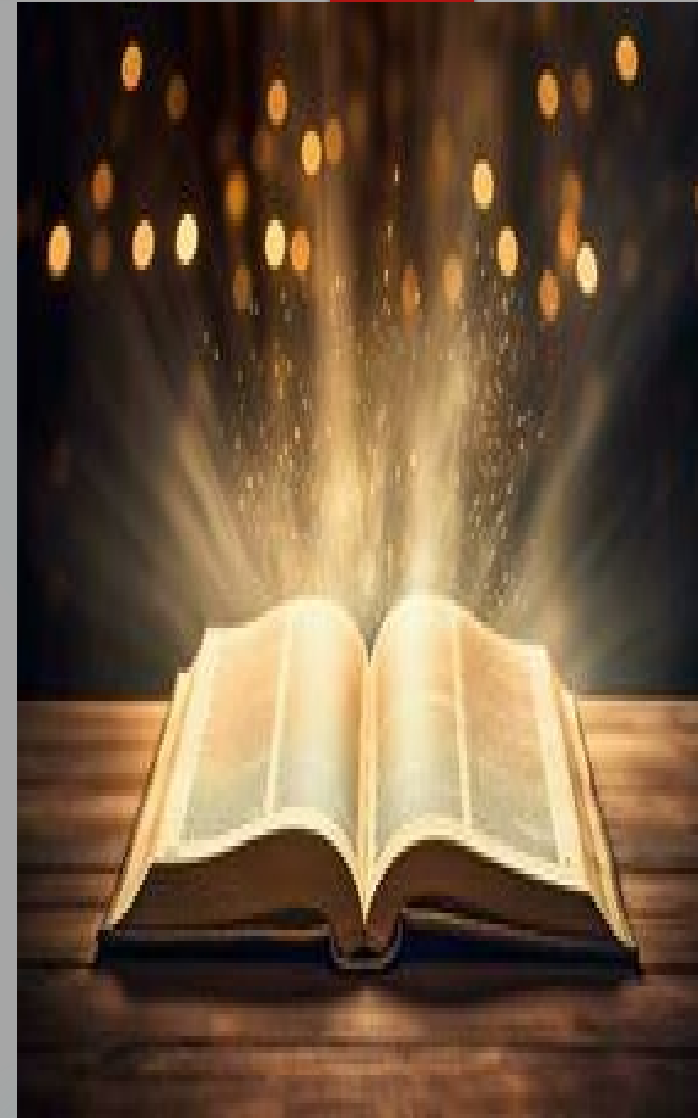
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⁹ And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be?

¹⁰ And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.

¹¹ Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

¹² Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.



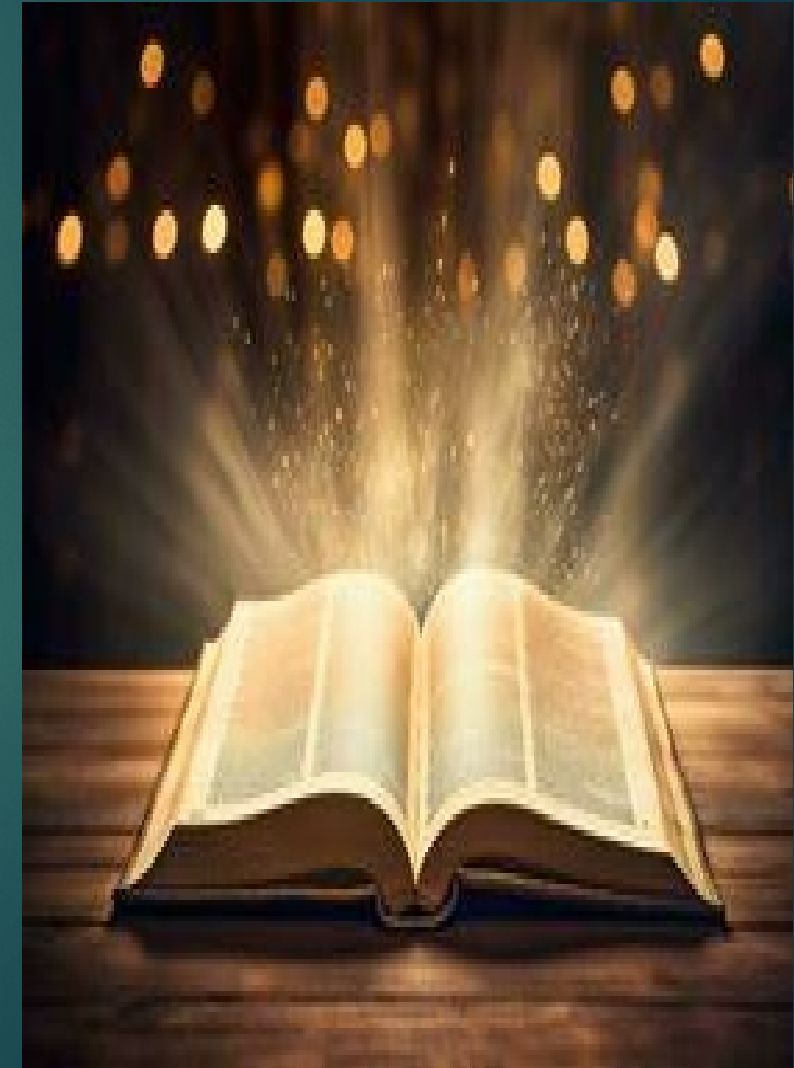
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¹³ They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.

¹⁴ And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

¹⁵ But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

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PAUL'S DISCOURSE WITH THE GALATIAN CHURCH – Galatians 1:6-12

⁶ I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

⁷ Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.

⁸ But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

⁹ As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.



PAUL'S DISCOURSE WITH THE GALATIAN CHURCH – Galatians 1:6-12

¹⁰ For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

¹¹ But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.

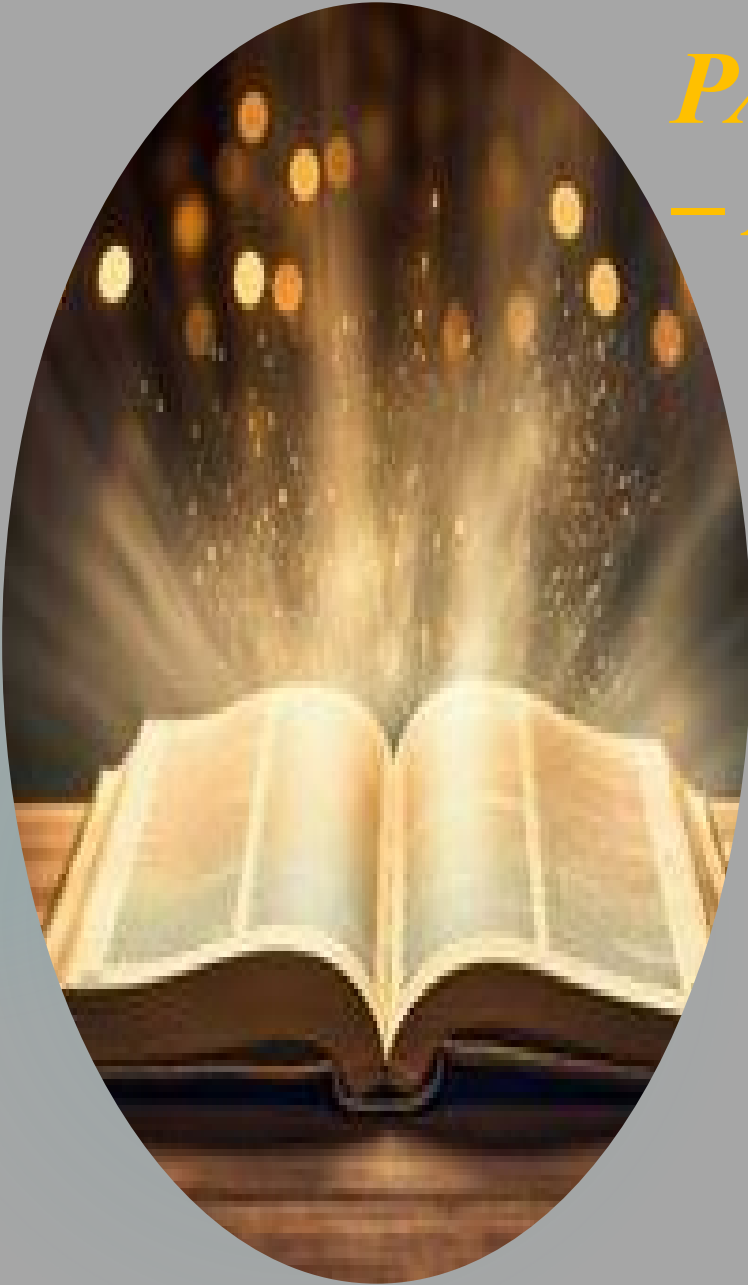
¹² For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

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PAUL TELLS EPHESIANS CHURCH – ABOUT FALSE TEACHINGS

• EPHESIANS 4:14

- “That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;”*



An open book is shown from a low angle, with light rays emanating from its pages. The background is dark with many out-of-focus, warm-toned light spots (bokeh). The entire scene is enclosed within a circular frame.

PAUL TELLS EPHESIANS CHURCH – ABOUT FALSE TEACHINGS

• II JOHN 9

• “Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.”



THE ONENESS OF CHRIST –

*TEACH & PRACTICE – WE ARE
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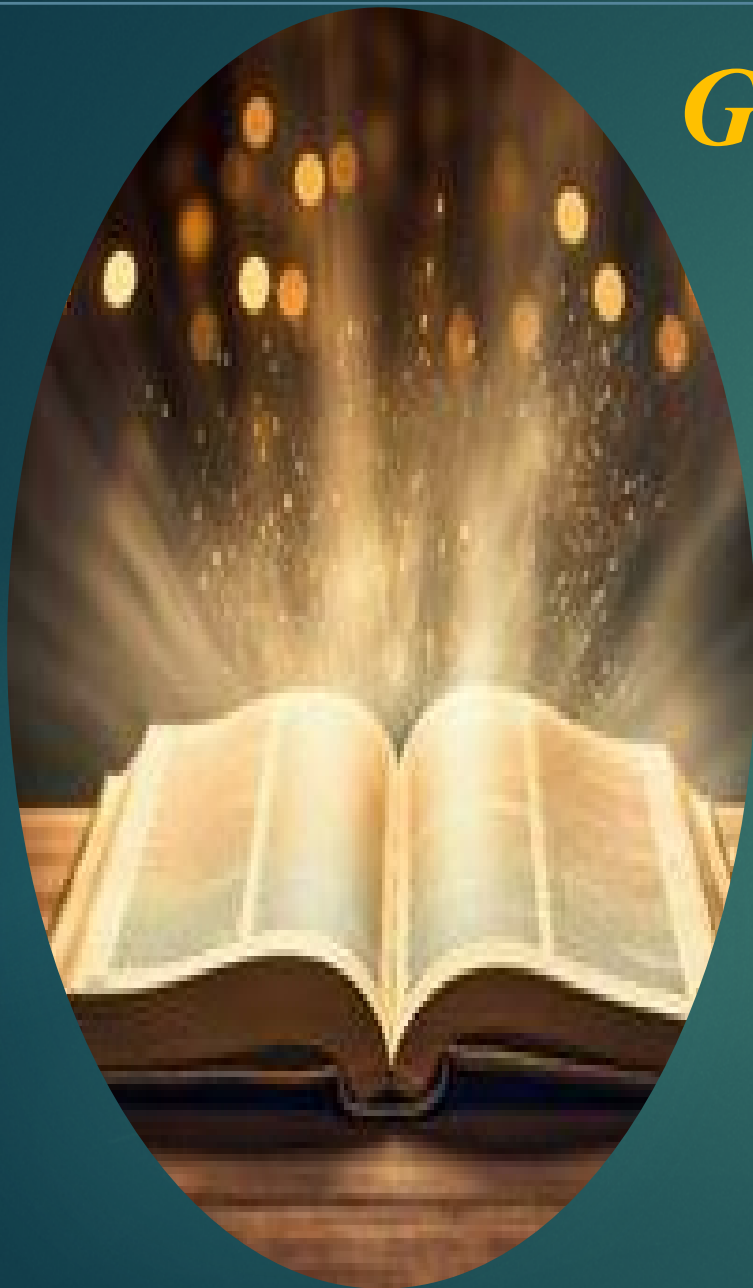
GOD & JESUS ARE THE JUDGE

• II TIMOTHY 4:1-2

4 I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine.

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GOD IS THE JUDGE

- *ECCLESIASTED 12:14*
- *“For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.”*



JESUS IS THE JUDGE

- *II CORINTHIANS 5:10*

- *“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.”*

JESUS IS THE JUDGE

- *ACTS 17:31*

- *“Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.”*

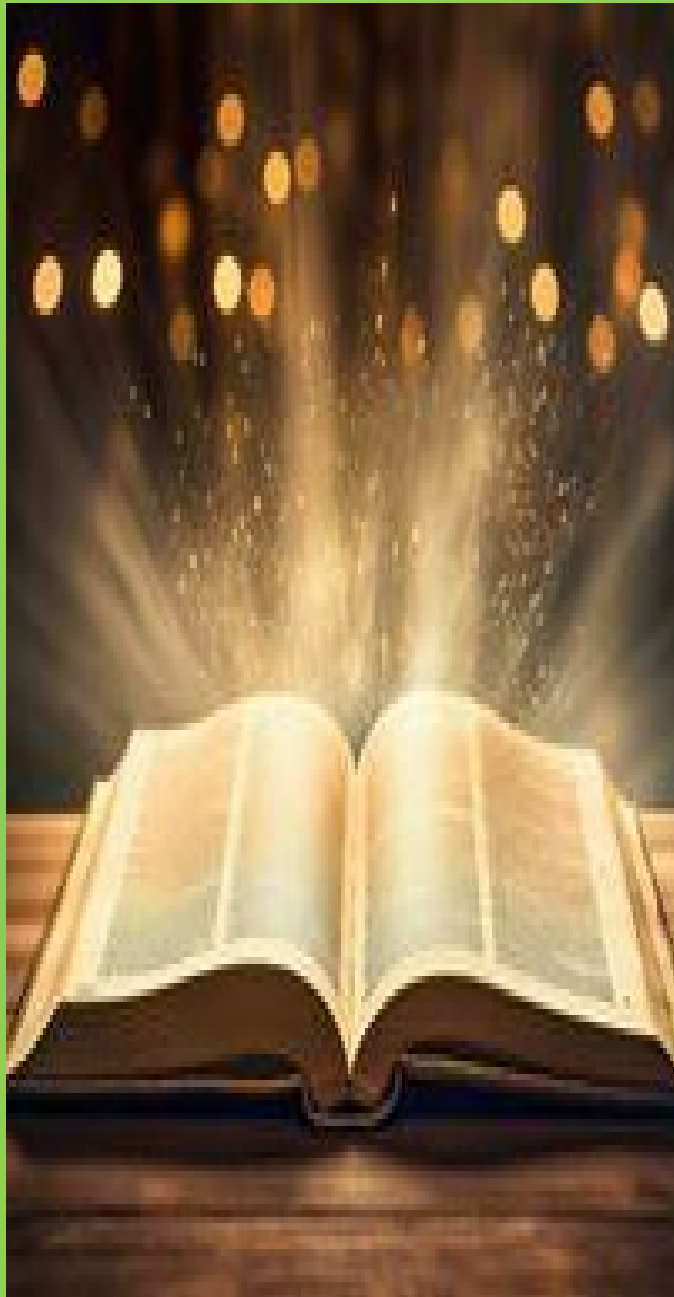


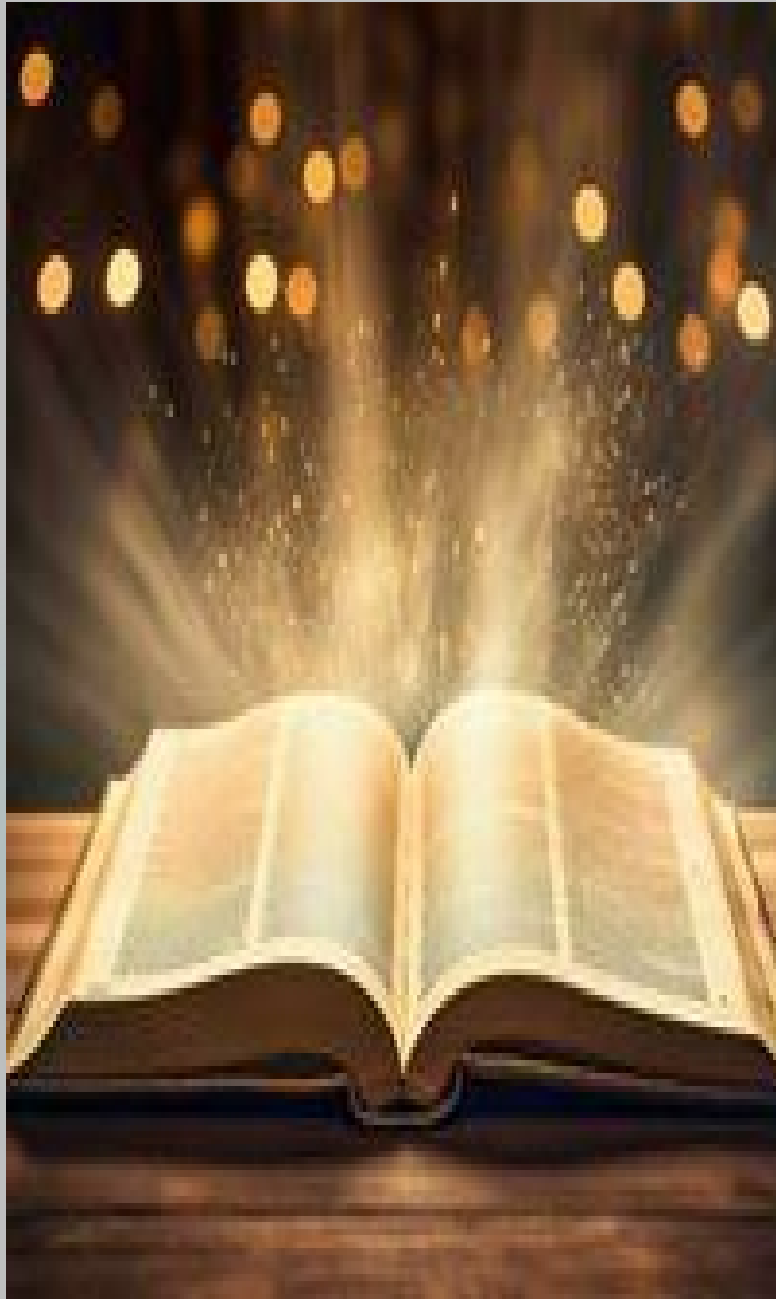
Do we want to be in or out of the book of life

• *REVELATION 22:18-19*

¹⁸ For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

¹⁹ And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

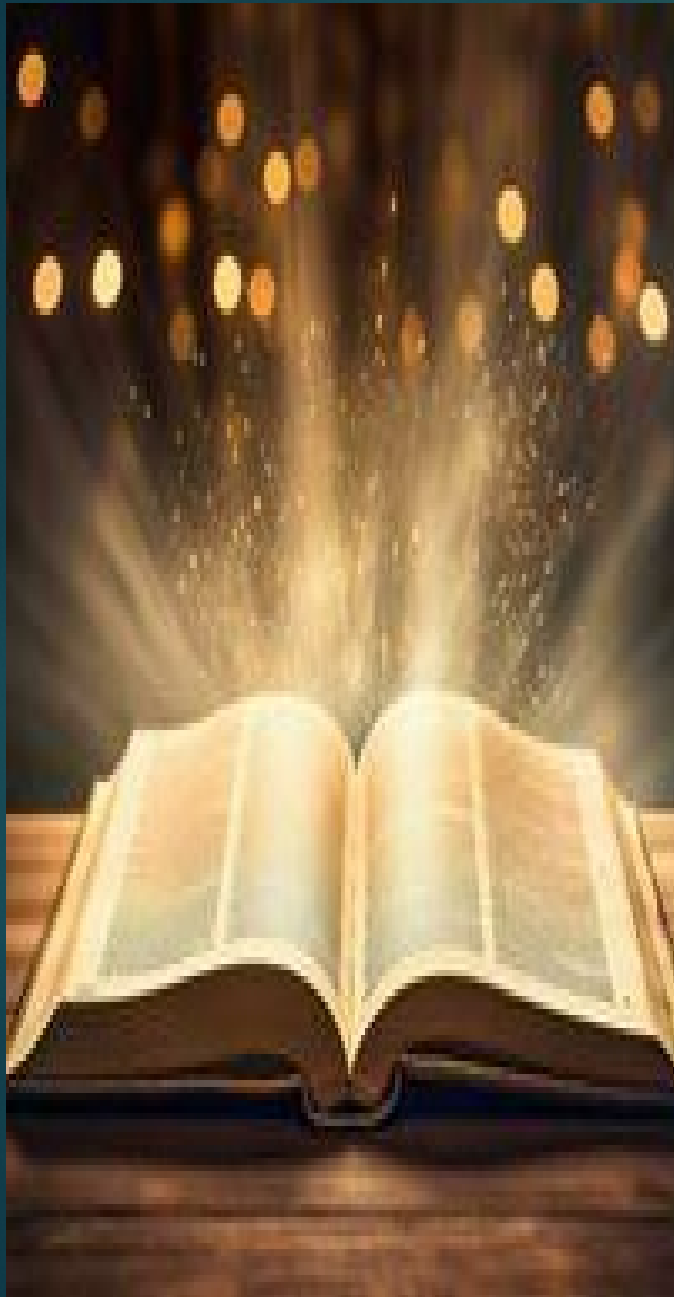




OLD TESTAMENT WARNING – NOT ADDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

• *DEUTERONOMY 4:2*

“Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.”



NEW TESTAMENT WARNING – NOT ADDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

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Modern Churches Timeline

From the New Testament to Today



Why are there so many churches?

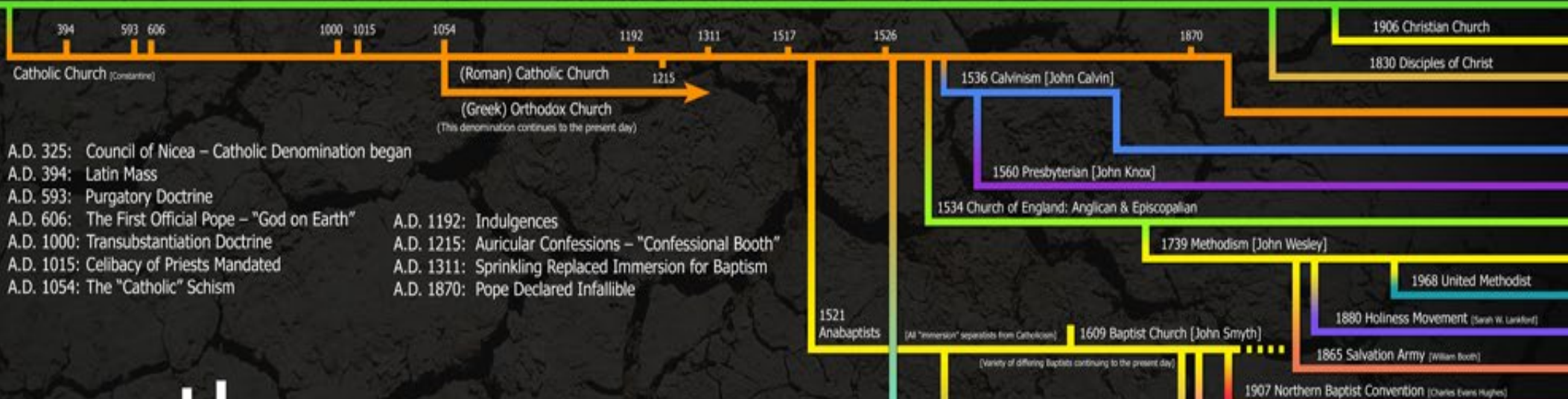
With tens of thousands of different churches and denominations, with their opposing beliefs and practices in the world today, we are often left confused. Which church is the “right” church? Which church does God approve? Which church did Christ establish? In Acts 2, we read of the one true church that was established by Jesus Christ and sanctioned by God. Many religious groups have departed from the first century church, splintering into the various churches and denominations we see today. If we seek to be the one true church established by Jesus Christ in the first century, as described in Acts 2, we must rid ourselves of man-made creeds, doctrines and traditions, and become the first century church we read about in the New Testament.

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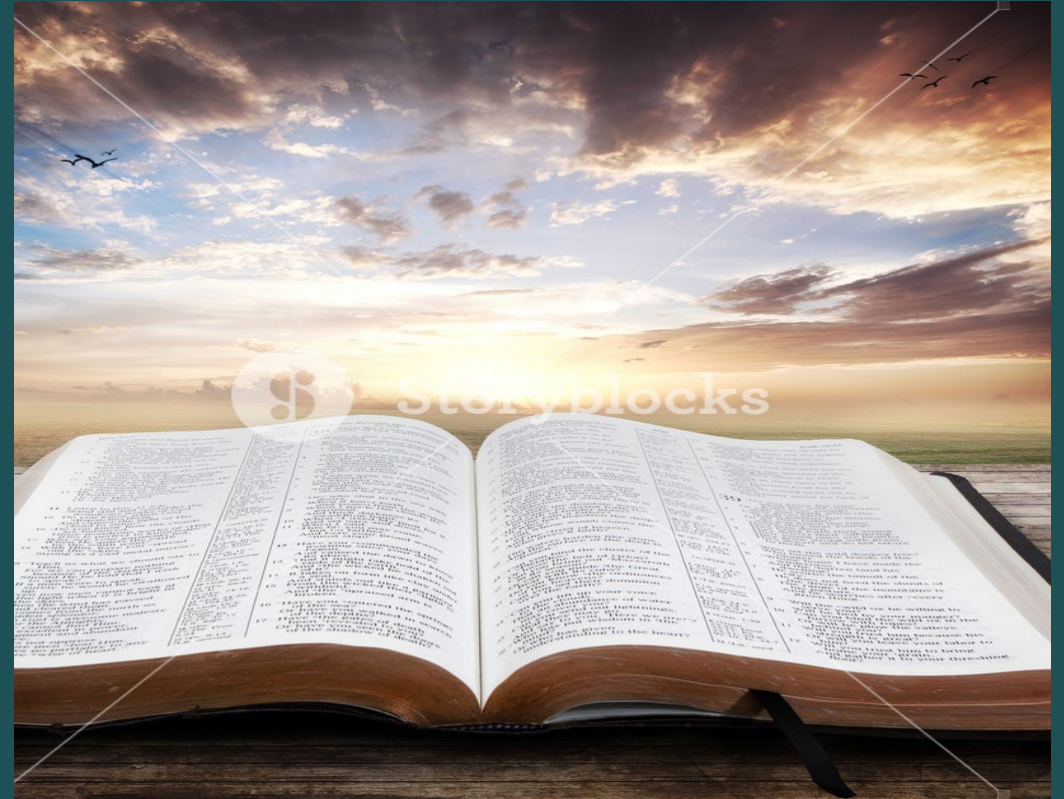
From the New Testament to Today

First Century Church

The New Testament Church Established on the day of Pentecost: 33 A.D. Acts 2:38-47



Thank you –
Please direct all
questions to
Brother Curtis
Doyle





*Thank you. May God continue to
bless you on your journey to
Heaven.*

ANY QUESTION – CONTACT



THE ONENESS OF CHRIST –

THE VOICE OF HISTORY

THE RECORD OF THE PAST 19 CENTURIES REVEALS THESE FACTS
CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PROMINENT RELIGIOUS BODIES:

TIME	PLACE	FOUNDER	CHURCH
606 A. D.	Rome	Boniface III (assumed title of "universal bishop")	Roman Catholic
1520 A. D.	Germany	Martin Luther	Lutheran
1534 A. D.	England	Henry VIII	Episcopalian
1536 A. D.	Switzerland	John Calvin	Presbyterian
1550 A. D.	England	Robert Browne	Congregational
1607 A. D.	Holland	John Smythe	Baptist
1739 A. D.	England	John Wesley	Methodist
1830 A. D.	America	Joseph Smith	Latter Day Saints (Mormon)
1830 A. D.	America	William Miller	Adventists
1866 A. D.	America	Mary Baker Eddy	Christian Scientist
1872 A. D.	America	Charles T. Russell	Jehovah's Witnesses