

THE PLAN OF SALVATION

Hearing God’s Word

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Romans 10:17).

Belief or Faith

“I said therefore unto you, that you shall die in your sins: for if you believe not that I am he, you shall die in your sins” (John 8:24).

Repentance

“And the times of this ignorance God winked at but now commands all men everywhere to repent” (Acts 17:30).

Profess Jesus to be the Son of God

“And Philip said, If you believe with all your heart, thou may. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God” (Acts 8:37).

Immersion for the Remission of Sins

“And now why do you wait? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord” (Acts 22:16).

Faithfulness

“... be thou faithful unto death, and I will give you a crown of life” (Revelation 2:10).

The One True Church of the Bible			
When	Where	Who	Name
33.....	Jerusalem.....	Jesus Christ...	various divine names
Manmade Churches			
When	Where	Who	Name
606.....	Rome.....	Boniface III.....	Catholic
1520.....	Germany.....	Martin Luther.....	Lutheran
1534.....	England.....	Henry VIII.....	Episcopal
1536.....	Switzerland.....	John Calvin.....	Presbyterian
1550.....	England.....	Robert Browne.....	Congregational
1607.....	Holland.....	John Smythe.....	Baptist
1739.....	England.....	John Wesley.....	Methodist
1830.....	America.....	Joseph Smith.....	Mormon
1830.....	America.....	William Miller.....	Adventist
1866.....	America.....	Mary Baker Eddy.....	Christian Scientist
1872.....	America.....	Charles T. Russell.....	Jehovah’s Witnesses

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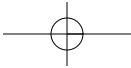
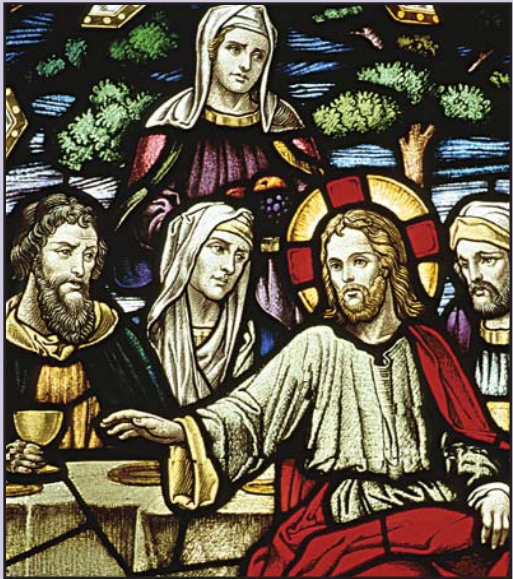
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Founder: Jesus Christ

Purchased it with His own blood (Acts 20:28)
Built by Jesus Christ (Matthew 16:18)
Christ is the Head of His church (Ephesians 5:23)
He is the Lawgiver (John 12:48)
He is the Rock on which it was founded (Matthew 16:18)
He is the Foundation (1 Corinthians 3:11)

Founded In A.D. 33 in Jerusalem

Fulfilling prophecy — Jerusalem (Isaiah 2:2,3)
Fulfilling prophecy — When (Daniel 2:31-45)
“To come with power” (Mark 9:1; Luke 24:49)
Came with power (Acts 2:1-4)
Birthday of the church (Acts 2)

Biblical Descriptions

“My [Jesus] church” (Matthew 16:18)
Kingdom (Matthew 16:18,19; Colossians 1:13)
Church (Acts 2:47; Colossians 1:18)
Body (Ephesians 1:22,23; Colossians 1:18)
Church of God (1 Corinthians 1:2)
Church of Christ (Romans 16:16)
House of God (1 Timothy 3:15)

Membership

Baptized men and women (Acts 8:12)
Baptized believers (Mark 16:16)
Repenting and baptized (Acts 2:38)
Professing Jesus as Christ (Romans 10:9,10)
Obedient souls (Romans 6:1; Hebrews 5:8,9)

The immersed (Romans 6:3-5; Colossians 2:12)
From every nation (Acts 10:34,35)
The saved (Acts 2:47)

Organization

Independent congregations (Acts 14:23)
Obligated to Jesus Christ (1 Peter 5:1-4)
Ruled by elders (Titus 1:5-9; Hebrews 13:17)
Served by deacons (1 Timothy 3:8-13)
Taught by teachers (Hebrews 5:12-14)
Taught by preachers (Romans 10:13-15)
Served by members (Romans 12:4-8)

Worship

In spirit and in truth (John 4:24)
Each first day of the week (Acts 20:7)
The Lord’s Supper (1 Corinthians 11:20-29)
Singing (Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16)
Giving (1 Corinthians 16:1,2)
Praying (Acts 2:42; 1 Corinthians 14:15)
Preaching (Acts 20:7)

Work

Take the Gospel to the lost world (Mark 16:15)
Rescue fallen Christians (James 5:19,20)
Learn God’s Word (2 Timothy 2:15)
Help the poor (Galatians 6:10)

Doctrine

God’s Word alone (Revelation 22:18,19)
New Testament (Hebrews 9:15)
The Gospel (Romans 1:16; Galatians 1:6-9)
Not human creeds (Mark 7:7)

Members Called

Saints (1 Corinthians 1:2)

Brethren (Acts 15:22,23)
Members (Romans 12:4,5)
Christians (Acts 11:26; 26:28; 1 Peter 4:16)
Children of God (Romans 8:16)
Priests (1 Peter 2:9)

The Church Versus Denominations

The one true church of the Bible is not a denomination. Jesus established His church hundreds of years before any denomination existed. Denominations were begun by *men*, but *Jesus* founded His church. He compared religions of men to plants and said, “Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up” (Matthew 15:13).

Jesus also said, “But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men” (Matthew 15:9).

Important Questions

Did Jesus Christ found your church?

- * Does Jesus make the laws for your church?
- * Was your religion founded in AD 33?
- * Was your religion founded in Jerusalem?
- * Is your church the fulfillment of prophecy?
- * Did your religion begin with power?
- * Does your religion have a biblical name?
- * Is your church an independent church?
- * Is your worship biblical or in vain?
- * Are you a baptized believer?
- * Is your creed the Bible only?
- * Do you wear a denominational name?
- * Are you a member of the one true church?