

Follow The Example Of Others

(How To Become A Member of The Church Series - #3)

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Review

The New Testament church is the “called out”

It is made up of the people who are: saved, reconciled, bought with the blood, and enrolled in heaven.

It is called: the body of Christ, the bride of Christ, and the Kingdom.

We must obey a clear “form of teaching” to become a member. (Rom. 6:17,18)

Some Practical Questions...

If we want to find out how to get to a specific place, we often ask someone who has been there...

How did you get there? or How can I get there?

The directions we received would depend on:

- Their starting point
- Our starting point
- Their perspective

Some Bible Directions...

- John 3:3** *Be born again.*
John 3:5 *Be born of water and the Spirit.*
Rom. 10:13 *Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved*
Heb. 11:6 *Anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists.*
Luke 13:3 *Unless you repent, you too will all perish.*
Rom. 10:10 *It is with your heart that you believe and are justified...*
Rom. 10:10 *It is with your mouth that you confess and are saved...*
Gal. 3:27 *...you who were united with Christ in baptism have been clothed with Christ.*
1 Pet. 3:21 *...baptism now saves you also.*
Acts 16:31 *Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved.*
Eph. 2:8 *It is by grace you have been saved, through faith.*
Titus 3:5 *He saved us... because of his mercy.*
Titus 3:5 *He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal of the Holy Spirit.*

Some Bible Examples...

Jews on Pentecost Acts 2:14-41

Told: (36) Jesus is Lord and Christ (38) Repent and be baptized

Did: (41) _____

Results: (38) sins forgiven (47) added to the church

Samaritans Acts 8:5-13

Told: (12) good news of the kingdom and the name of Jesus Christ

Did: (12) _____ and were _____

Results: not recorded

Man from Ethiopia Acts 8:35-39

Told: (35) good news about Jesus

Did: (27) _____ (38) _____

Results: (39) went on his way rejoicing

Saul (apostle Paul) Acts 9:17,18; 22:3-16

Told: (22:10) go to Damascus (22:16) be baptized

Did: (9:18) _____

Results: (22:16) sins were washed away

Cornelius Acts 10:1-48

Told: (36) good news of peace through Jesus Christ (48) be baptized

Did: (48) _____

Results: (11:18) granted repentance unto life

Lydia Acts 16:13-15

Told: (14) Paul's message

Did: (15) _____

Results: not recorded

Jailer in Philippi Acts 16:25-34

Told: (31) Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved

Did: (33) _____

Results: (34) filled with joy because he had come to believe in God

Corinthians Acts 18:1-8

Told: (5) Jesus was the Christ

Did: (8) _____ and were _____

Results: (1 Cor. 6:11) were washed, sanctified, and justified