

# Identifying Marks of the One True Church

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- 📍 There is only one New Testament Church (Matthew 16:18, Ephesians 3:8-11, 1 Corinthians 12:20, Romans 12:5, Ephesians 4:4, Ephesians 1:22,23, Acts 2:47, Acts 5:11, Acts 8:3, Ephesians 5:23)
- 📍 The One True Church Has A Scriptural Name.
  - 📍 The church of God. (Acts 20:28, II Corinthians 1:1)
  - 📍 The church of the firstborn (Hebrews 12:23)
  - 📍 The church at (specific location) (Revelation 2:1, Revelation 2:8)
  - 📍 The church of Christ (Romans 16:16)
- 📍 The One True Church Teaches And Practices The Correct Doctrine. (I Timothy 3:15, Ephesians 3:8-11, Galatians 1:8,9)

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- 📍 The One True Church Is Organized According To The Pattern Of The Scriptures.
  - 📍 Elders (Acts 14:23, Titus 1:5, I Timothy 3:1-7, Titus 1:5-9)
  - 📍 Deacons(1 Timothy 3:8-13)
  - 📍 Organization limited to the local church (Philippians 1:1, Acts 20:28, I Peter 5:1-3)
  - 📍 Each church was autonomous.
  - 📍 There is no earthly headquarters
  - 📍 Christ is head (Ephesians 5:23)

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- 📍 The One True Church Practices Biblical Worship. (John 4:24)
  - 📍 The observance of the Lord's Supper (Acts 20:7, 1 Corinthians 11:23-29)
  - 📍 Giving (1 Corinthians 16:1-2)
  - 📍 Preaching of the Word of God. (Acts 2:42, Acts 20:7)
  - 📍 Praying (Acts 12:5, 12)
  - 📍 Singing (Ephesians 5:19, Colossians 3:16)
  - 📍 It is possible to displease God with our worship (Amos 5:22)
- 📍 The One True Church Does The Work That It Is Commanded To Do In The Bible.
  - 📍 Edification (Ephesians 4:11-16)
  - 📍 Evangelism (1 Thessalonians 5:8)
  - 📍 Limited Benevolence (Acts 4:32-37, I Timothy 5:9-16, Romans 15:25-26, I Corinthians 16:1,2, II Corinthians 8:1-4, II Corinthians 9:1)
- 📍 Following this pattern is the only way to unity (John 17:20-21)