

The
Church
Of
God
At
Corinth

1 Corinthians 1:2

What is the church of God?

- Eph. 1:22-23 – The body of Christ
- 1 Tim. 3:15 – The house (dwelling place) of God
- 1 Cor. 3:16 – The temple of the Spirit of God
- 1 Tim. 3:15 – The pillar and ground of the truth
- Heb. 12:23 – The firstborn ones of God who are registered in heaven



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People

Belong to God.

Sanctified.

**Called to be
saints.**

**Call on the name
of the Lord.**

Two uses of “church” in N.T.:

#1 – UNIVERSAL

- All the saved the world over.
- Eph. 1:22-23; 5:23 – “body” = “church”
- Mat. 16:18; Eph. 4:4 – only one church
- Acts 2:47 – Lord adds to church those being saved.
- Emphasis: Relationship of Christian to God.

Two uses of “church” in N.T.:

#2 – LOCAL

- **Saved in a particular place.**
- **Acts 14:21-23; Rom. 16:16 – Numerous.**
- **Acts 11:25-26 – We decide which to join.**
- **Emphasis: Relationship of Christians to one another.**

Intimacy of the local church

“one another” relationship:

- **Rom. 12:10 – Kindly affectionate toward**
- **Rom. 15:14 - Admonish**
- **1 Cor. 12:26 – Care for**
- **Gal. 5:13 – Serve**
- **Gal. 6:2 – Bear burdens**
- **Eph. 4:32 – Be kind to**
- **Eph. 4:32 – Forgive**
- **Eph. 5:21 – Submit to**
- **Col. 3:16 – Teach and admonish**
- **1 Thes. 3:12 – Abound in love for**

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“one another” relationship:

- **1 Thes. 4:18 - Comfort**
- **1 Thes. 5:11 – Comfort and edify**
- **Heb. 3:13 – Exhort**
- **Heb. 10:24 – Stir up to love and good deeds**
- **Jas. 5:16 – Confess trespasses to**
- **1 Pet. 1:22 – Love fervently**
- **1 Pet. 2:8 – Have compassion for**
- **1 Pet. 4:9 – Be hospitable to**
- **1 Pet. 4:10 – Minister to**

Four things to consider:

- **Worship with one another is just a fraction of how God wants us to interact with one another.**
- **In order for us to have the kind of relationship with one another the Lord demands that we have, we must know one another.**
- **Sunday is not about just attending services somewhere, it is about drawing closer to our brethren in the local congregation by mutual teaching, admonishing, and edification.**
- **Questions about how often we attend worship and Bible class miss the whole point about the one another aspect of worship.**

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Our important relationship!