

Abiding In The Doctrine of Christ

"Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son" (2 John 9)

Outside the Doctrine of Christ

- Yearly Communion
- Instrumental Music
- Social Gospel
- Clergy/Laity Distinctions
- Political Motives
- Denominational Names
- Worldly Living
- Earthly Headquarters

Organization of the Church:

- Elders, Deacons, Evangelists & Members (Philippians 1:1)

Acts of Worship:

- Singing (Colossians 3:16)
- Praying (Acts 2:42)
- Giving (1 Corinthians 16:1-2)
- Teaching (Acts 2:42)
- Communion (1 Corinthians 11:23-29)

The Work of the Church:

- Evangelism (Acts 13:1-3)
- Edification (Ephesians 4:11-16)
- Benevolence (Romans 15:25-26)

Names Used To Describe The Church:

- Church of God (1 Corinthians 1:2)
- Church of Christ (Romans 16:16)
- House of God (1 Timothy 3:15)
- Church of the Firstborn (Heb. 12:23)

Names Used To Describe Members:

- Disciples, Christians (Acts 11:26)
- Saints (Romans 1:7)
- Brethren (Galatians 6:1)

Outside the Doctrine of Christ

- Closed Communion
- Prayer Wheels
- Entertainment
- Diocesan System
- Administrative Councils
- Arch Bishops
- Creed books
- Church-owned Hospitals & Nursing Homes

"If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God" (1 Peter 4:11)

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