

## **ECCLESIOLOGY**

The Ecclesia – The term “The Church” is from the Greek Word “ekklesia” which is interpreted as the “called out ones.”

The word “church” is found 76 times in the Bible (all of which are New Testament); it is only found twice in the Gospels (both in the Gospel of Matthew).

**MATT 16:18, 18:17**

### **THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL**

International fellowship

Born-again family

The entire Body of Christ

### **THE LOCAL CHURCH**

The gathering of believers

The seat of authority

The sanctuary

Disciple-making

Children’s education

Fellowship

### **CHURCH GOVERNMENT**

Jesus is the Head

**COL 1:18, EPH 1:22, 4:15**

The fivefold ministry

**EPH 4:11-16, 1 TIM 3:1**

The delegated leaders

- Congregational elders

**EX 18:21, JAMES 5:14-15**

- Deacons/ushers

**ACTS 6:1-5, 1 TIM 3:8-13**

- Intern ministers

**LUKE 10:1, 17**

The helps ministries

**1 COR 12:27-31**

### **THE ORDINANCES OF THE CHURCH**

The Holy Scriptures

**MARK 16:20, ACTS 17:11**

The Lord’s table

**1 COR 11:23-26**

Baptisms

**HEB 6:1-2, MATT 28:19**

Child dedication

**MATT 19:13-14, LUKE 2:27-28**

Sacred music/singing

**EPH 5:19, COL 3:16, PS 150**

Prayer

**ACTS 13:1-3, 1 TIM 2:8**

## **THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH**

The Great Commission	<b>MATT 28:18-20</b>
Bear the name of Jesus	<b>ACTS 9:15</b>
Reconciliation	<b>2 COR 5:18</b>
Establish His covenant	<b>DEUT 7:12, 8:18, 2 COR 5:20, HEB 8:6-7</b>

## **OTHER NAMES FOR THE CHURCH**

The Body of Christ	<b>1 COR 12:27</b>
The Flock of God	<b>ACTS 20:28</b>
Children of God	<b>GAL 3:26</b>
The Kingdom of God	<b>LUKE 8:1</b>
The Family of God	<b>EPH 3:14-15</b>
The Army of God	<b>2 TIM 2:3</b>
The Salt of the Earth	<b>MATT 5:13</b>
The Light of the World	<b>MATT 5:14</b>
The Way	<b>ACTS 9:2, 24:14</b>
A Royal Priesthood	<b>1 PET 2:9</b>
A Holy Nation	<b>1 PET 2:9</b>
Pillar and Ground of Truth	<b>1 TIM 3:15</b>