

IS IT REALLY NECESSARY?

Moving your church experience from casual to committed

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To become a member of the church when I can just attend?

Acts 2:41-42

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Introduction:

- America wants to know
- Is church just a place to go?
 - Ephesians 5:25

You should become a church member and not just be a church attender because:

I. Churches in the Bible Kept _____ of Church Membership

- Acts 2:41
- Acts 2:42

II. _____ in the Bible Assume Church Membership

- "one another"

III. _____ in the Bible Implies Church Membership

- 1 Corinthians 12:27

IV. _____ in the Bible Reveal Church Membership

- The church as a _____ – 1 Corinthians 12:27
- The church as a _____ – 1 Timothy 3:15
- The church as a spiritual _____ – 1 Peter 2:5
- The church as _____ – 1 Peter 2:25; 5:2

- *To those who've been hurt:*
 1. Don't paint with a broad brush.
 2. Trust in God's leading.
 3. Talk to me.
 4. Refuse to let the bad experience keep from honoring the Lord.
 5. God wants you to forgive.

Conclusion:

- Church should be your "bag."