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Member(s)

A member is a person who belongs to a social group or an entity such as a company or nation.

A person who belongs to a club, political party, etc.

I Corinthians 12 : 12 – 14, 18 – 20, 27

‘melos’ - a limb or part of the body; a member

Ephesians 2 : 14 – 19

‘oikeios’ - domestic, that is, (as noun), a relative; belonging to a house or family, the household of God

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Attend the church of your choice.

We are all going to heaven just by different roads.

However, the Bible teaches one church –
the Church of Christ.

Why you should be a member.

How you become a member.

What you get with your membership.

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Why you should be a member

It is the only true Kingdom on earth.

Daniel 2 : 31 – 35, 44 – 45

Nebuchadnezzar saw a statue

Head of Gold - Babylon

Chest and Arms of Silver – Medes / Persians

Belly & Thigh of Bronze – Greece

Legs of Iron – Rome

Feet of Iron and Clay – Rome

The Stone – God's everlasting Kingdom

Luke 1 : 30 – 33

Matthew 16 : 18

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Why you should be a member

Its King has the only authority to help you.

Matthew 28 : 18

“All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.”

‘pas’ - all, any, every, the whole

Acts 4 : 9 – 12

“Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Philippians 2 : 9 – 11

“Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name...”

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How you become a member

First, you need to want to be a member

Acts 2 : 37; 8 : 36; 9 : 6

In each of these accounts, the people asked what they needed to do to become a member.

What if you don't want to be a member?

Second, do what is required

Acts 2 : 38; 8 : 37; 9 : 6, 18

In each account they all performed the task required of them.

If they didn't, what do you think would happen?

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How you become a member

No, you cannot do it your own way!

II Kings 5 : 1 – 4

Naaman has leprosy

Naaman wants to be healed.

II Kings 5 : 9 – 12

Naaman is told what to do.

Naaman refuses to do what he is told.

What is the result of Naaman's refusal?

He still had leprosy.

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What you get with membership

Salvation of your soul

I Peter 1 : 8 – 9; 3 : 21

Through baptism (entrance into the Kingdom) we receive a
clean conscience – Forgiveness of sins

Access to our Father

Ephesians 2 : 17 – 18

I Timothy 2 : 5

This Kingdom will never fail

Matthew 16 : 18

“...shall not prevail against it.”

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You must be a member

“Perks” only go to members

Perk - perk or perks, is a short form of the word perquisite
a thing regarded as a special right or privilege enjoyed as a
result of one's position

Isaiah 51 : 11

“... the ransomed of the LORD shall return...”

Luke 1 : 68

“...He visited and redeemed His people.”