

Who Is NOT a Christian?

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Not all good people are Christians.

- What about an atheist or an unbeliever?
- For example, Cornelius. (Acts 10-11)

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Not all religious people are Christians.

- What about Hindus, Buddhists, Muslims?
- For example...
 - Jews at Pentecost. (Acts 2)
 - Ethiopian treasurer. (Acts 8)
 - Saul of Tarsus. (Acts 9)
 - Lydia. (Ac 16.11-15)
 - Athenians. (Ac 17.22)

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Not all "church members" are Christians.

- Certainly not when it's a denominational membership roll...
(Matthew 16.18; Ephesians 4.4; 1.22-23)
- Neither the directory of a sound local church! (1 Corinthians 5; 2 John 9-10)

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Not all believers in Christ are Christians.

- What about drunkards, drug-abusers, murderers, etc.?
- Dead faith can't make one a Christian...
(James 2.14-26)
- Faith that saves is faith that obeys.

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Then who IS a Christian?

- A disciple, a follower, a learner...
(Acts 11.26; 1 Peter 2.21b; Romans 8.29)
- One who obeys and follows, regardless of the opposition.
- One who has first obeyed the Gospel...
(Matthew 28.18-20; Mark 16.15-16; Acts 22.16; Hebrews 5.8-9)