

The Lord's Church

The Worship

The Organization

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- **Proper Worship --- Matt. 15:8-9;
John 4:23-24; I Cor. 14:26, 40**
- **The Nature:**
 - **Spirit and Truth**
 - **A new kind of worship**
 - **In "Spirit"**
 - **In "Truth"**

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- **The Nature:**
 - **Glorify God**
 - **For Edification**
 - **Decently and In Order**

The Proper Worship

The N.T. Reveals



- ✧ Studying God's Word - (Acts 20:7; Col 4:16)
- ✧ Singing - (Eph 5:19; Col. 3:16)
- ✧ Praying - (Acts 4:23-31; Eph 6:18)
- ✧ Giving (*First day of the week*) - (1 Cor 16:1,2)
- ✧ Observing The Lord's Supper (*First day of the week*) - (Acts 20:7; 1 Cor 11:23-26)

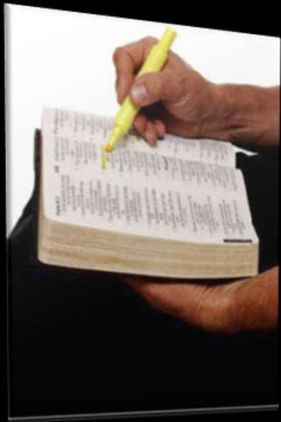
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- The Spiritual Nature of Worship:
 - Lord's Supper vs. O.T. sacrifices
 - N T giving vs. O T tithing
 - N T singing vs. O T music

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- A church may be “scripturally unorganized” and still be a church of the Lord - Acts 14:27
- However - many churches are “Unscriptural” in how they are organized:
 - *Pyramid Government -*
 - *Earthly Headquarters -*
 - *Regional Management -*
 - *Clergy / Laity - Pastor / Flock -*

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Ephesians 4:11 (NKJV)
 11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

Part of the structure through their writings - Eph 2:20

{ Apostles,
 Prophets,
 Evangelists,
 Pastors
 Teachers,

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Philippians 1:1 (NKJV)
Paul and Timothy,
bondservants of Jesus
Christ, To all the saints in
Christ Jesus who are in
Philippi, with the bishops
and deacons:

- › Elders / Pastors / Bishops - (Acts 14:23;
20:17,28; 1 Pet. 5:1-5; 1 Tim 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9)
- › Deacons – (Phili 1:1; 1 Tim 3:8-13)
- › Saints – (Phili 1:1; 1 Cor 1:2; 2 Cor. 1:1; Eph 1:1; Col 1:1)

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- › Local church autonomy
- › Pastors (bishops; elders), over each local church - (1 Pet 5:1,2; Acts 14:23; Tit 1:5)

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- **The concern**
 - **What it reveals?**
 - **What happens when it is changed?**

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- **Elders**
- **Deacons**
- **Members**

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New Testament Christians

Heard the Word of God---Rom. 10:17

Believed that Jesus was the Son of God---
Acts 8:37

Repented of their sins--- Acts 2:38

Confessed that Jesus was the Son of God---
Romans 10:8-10

Baptized into Christ for the remission of their
sins--- Acts 2:38

Raised in newness of life--- Rom. 6:4

Instructed to remain faithful unto death---
Rev. 2:10