

...the church of
Jesus Christ



Jesus
...the Christ

Jesus loves the church...

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, ²⁶ so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless.

Ephesians 5:25-27

...and so should we!



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“Several terms, several relationships, same people”

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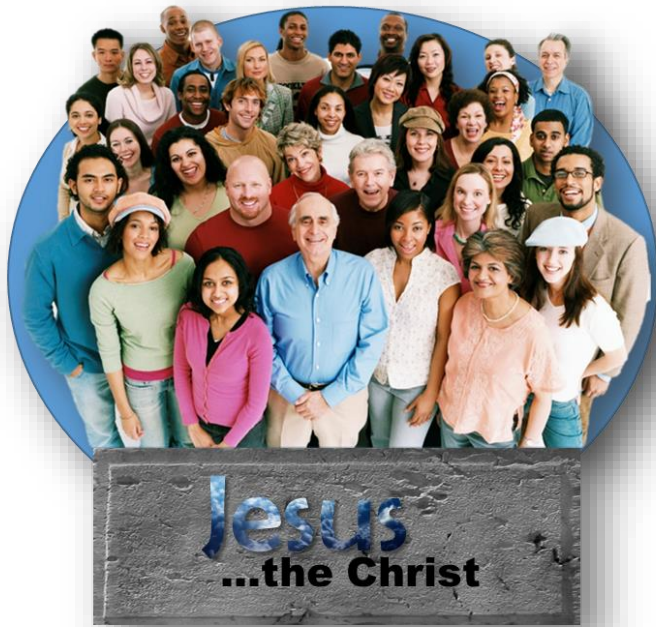


The Church

Matthew 16:18

“the called out”

**Describes our
relationship
to the world**



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Ekklesia:
“a called
out people”

CHURCH: ekklesia NT:1577, from ek, "out of," and klesis, "a calling" (kaleo, "to call"), was used among the Greeks of a body of citizens "gathered" to discuss the affairs of state, Acts 19:39. In the Sept. it is used to designate the "gathering" of Israel, summoned for any definite purpose, or a "gathering" regarded as representative of the whole nation. In Acts 7:38 it is used of Israel; in 19:32,41, of a riotous mob. It has two applications to companies of Christians, (a) to the whole company of the redeemed throughout the present era, the company of which Christ said, "I will build My Church," Matt 16:18, and which is further described as "the Church which is His Body," Eph 1:22; 5:23, (b) in the singular number (e. g., Matt 18:17, RV marg., "congregation"), to a company consisting of professed believers, e. g., Acts 20:28; 1 Cor 1:2; Gal 1:13; 1 Thess 1:1; 2 Thess 1:1; 1 Tim 3:5, and in the plural, with reference to churches in a district.

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Ephesians 1:22,23; 5:30

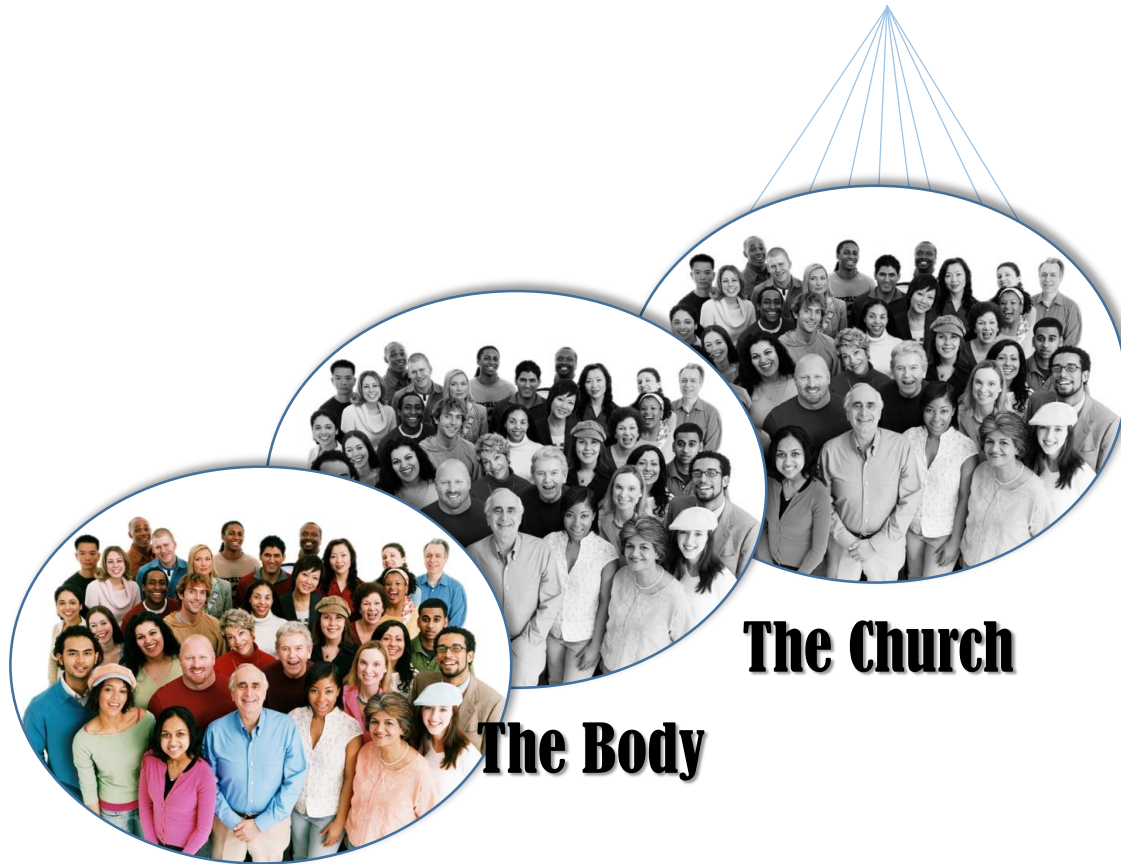
1 Corinthians 12:13,27

Colossians 1:18

“members of one body”
Describes our relationship
to the one another

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In Christ

Acts 8:3; 9:4

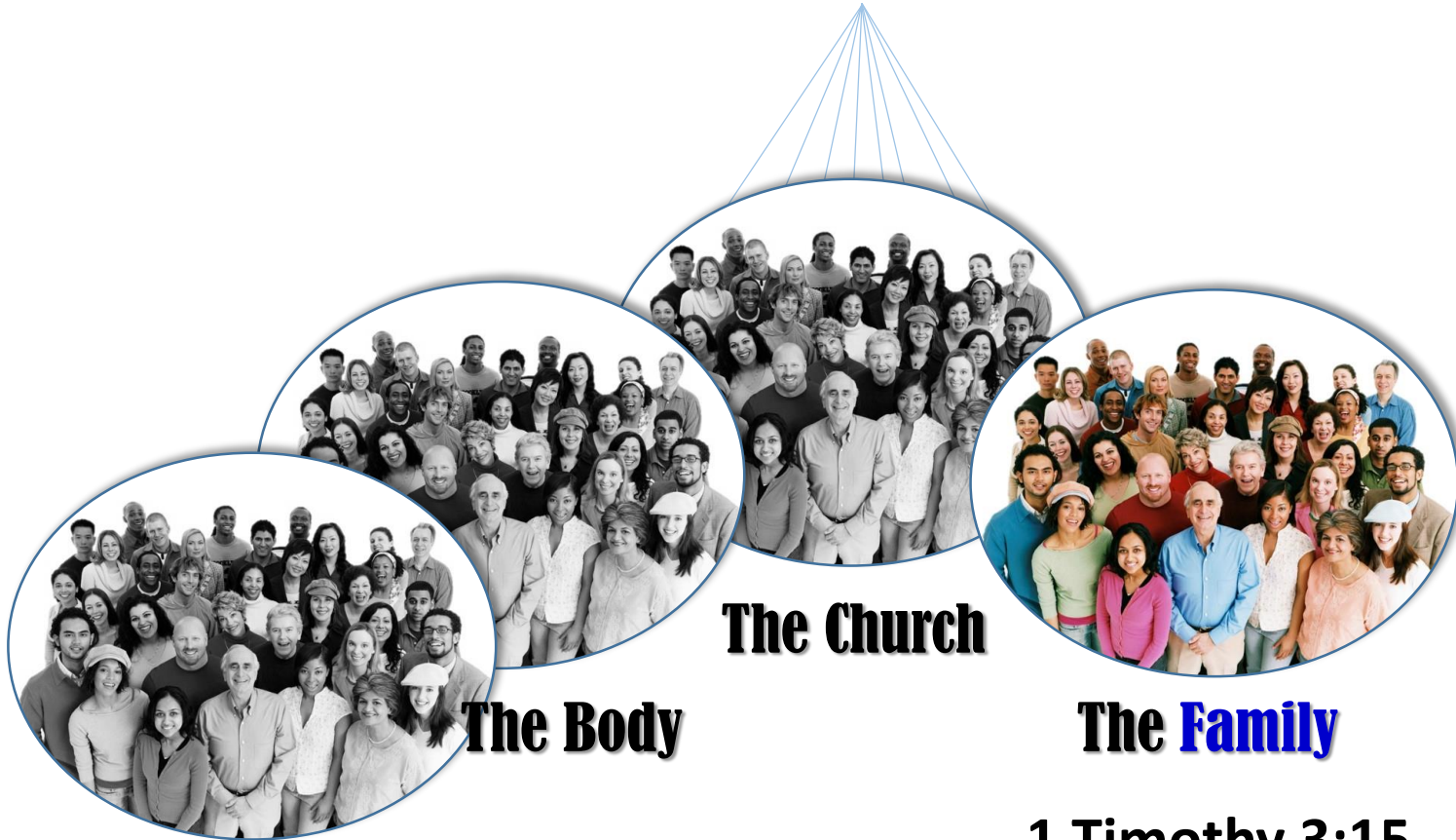
Ephesians 1:3; 22

“the fullness of Him”

**Describes our
relationship to Jesus**

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1 Timothy 3:15

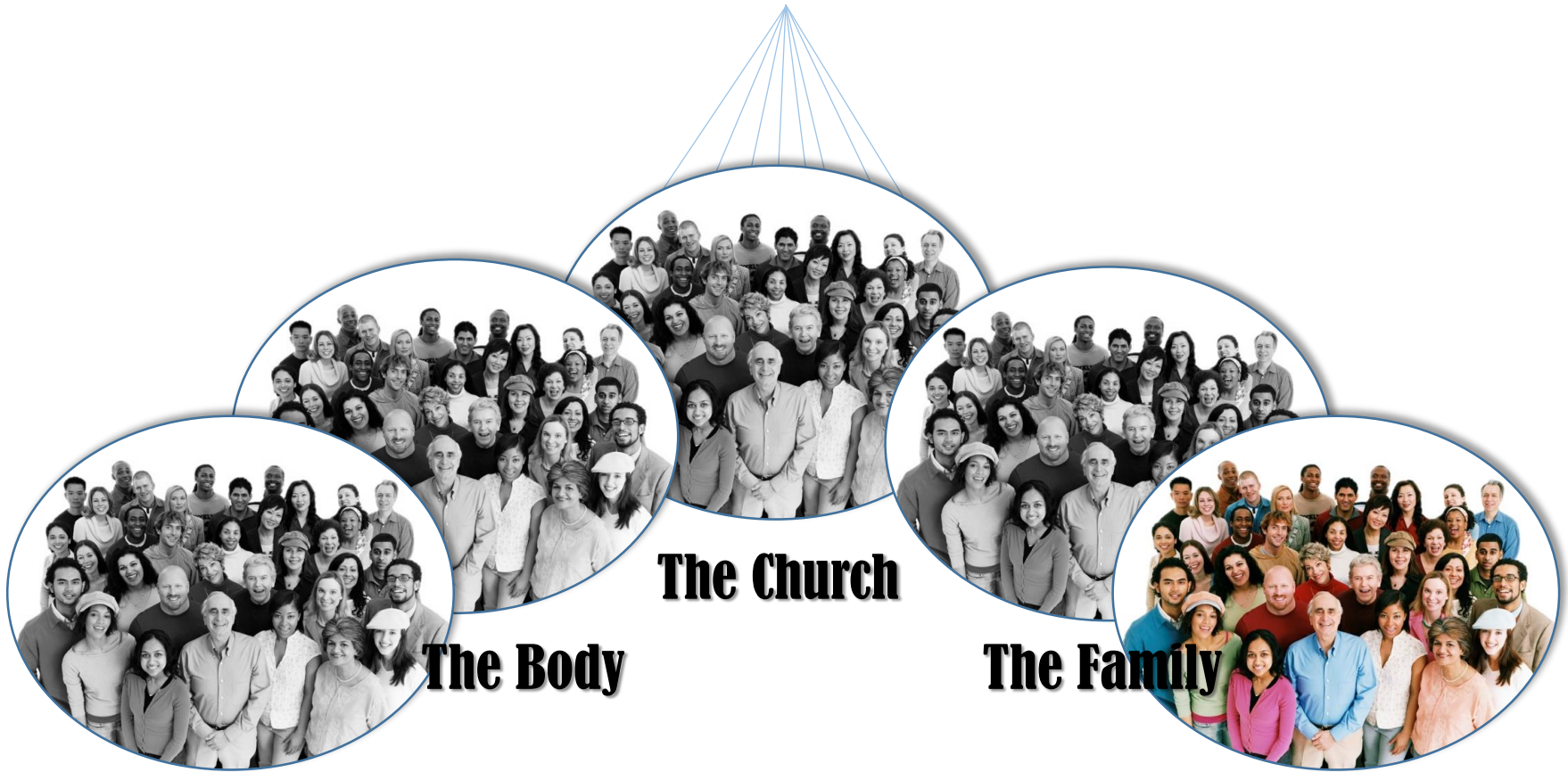
Ephesians 2:19

“sons of God”

**Describes our
relationship to our Father**

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“citizens”

Describes our
relationship to authority

Acts 20:28

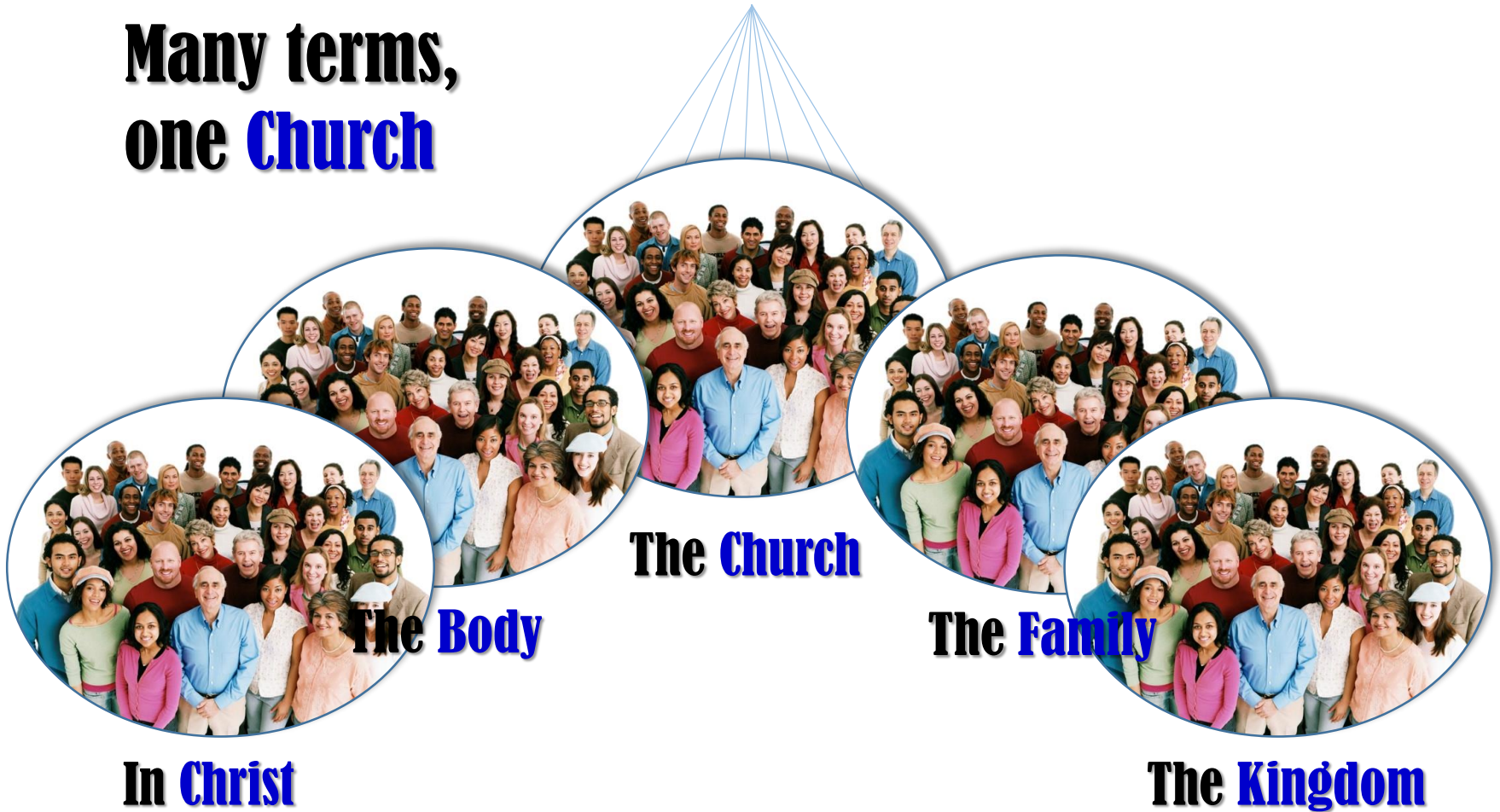
Revelation 5:9,10

Philippians 3:20

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**Many terms,
one Church**



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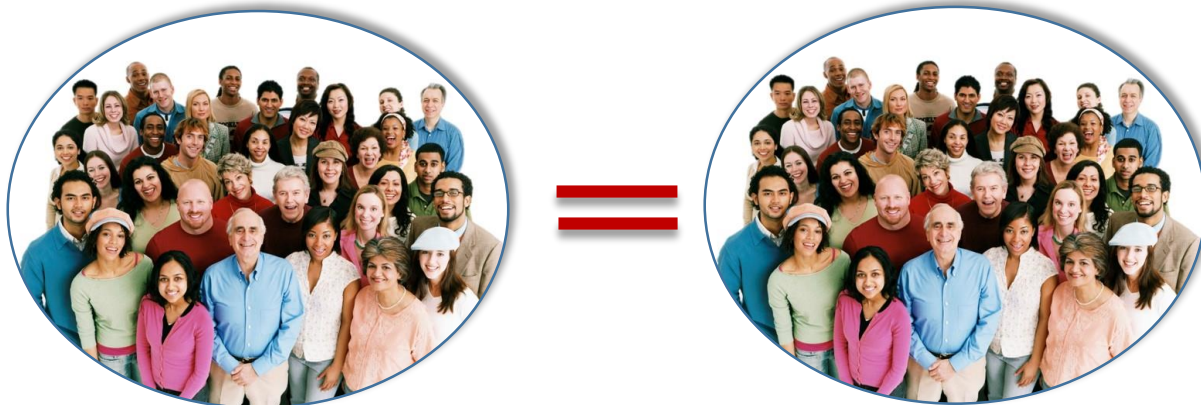
The Family

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The Kingdom

“And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to **the church, which is His body**, the fullness of Him who fills all in all...”

Ephesians 1:22-23



One Body ..is the same as... **One Church**

If **one** body, then there must be *only one* church.

“There is **one body** and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling;
⁵ **one** Lord, one faith, one baptism...”

Ephesians 4:4-5

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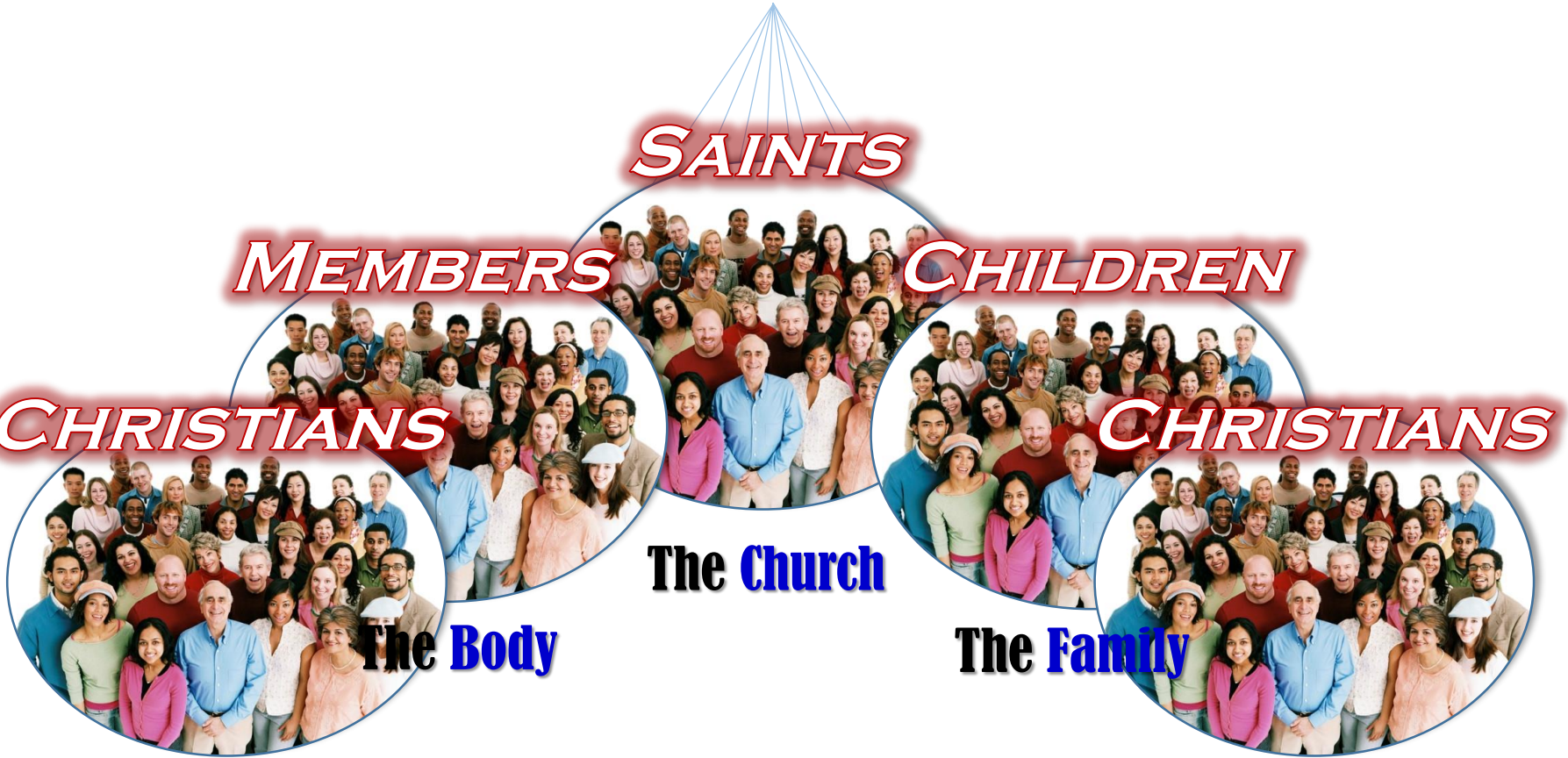
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“blood bought”
Acts 20:28

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“heirs of heaven”

Romans 8:17
Galatians
3:26-29

The Kingdom

“delivered to
heaven”

1 Corinthians 15:27

In Christ

“all spiritual
blessings”
Ephesians 1:3

“the saved”
Ephesians 5:23

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Romans 6:3

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1 Corinthians 12:23

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“Repent and be baptized,
every one of you,
in the name of Jesus Christ
for the forgiveness of your sins.”

Acts 2:38

“baptized into”

And the Lord added
to their number daily
those who were being saved.

Acts 2:47

Galatians 3:26, 27

John 3:3-5



Questions:

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- “So, you go to church every Sunday?”
- “Does it matter what church you belong to?”
- “So, do you think you are the *only* Christians?”
- “Are you saying you that you are the only ones saved?”
- “So why are there so many different churches today?”



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