

**I. The church has members**

- A. The invisible church exists visibly
  - 1. What is the invisible church?
  - 2. How is the invisible church “invisible”
  - 3. Why does the invisible church need to exist visibly?
- B. The church has defined membership (Gen. 46:8ff; Ex. 6:14ff; Nu. 1; 26; 34; Josh. 15-19; Mt. 16; 25; Acts 2; 6; 1 Cor. 5; 1 Tim. 3:4; 5:9ff; Heb. 13:17)
  - 1. What is “membership”
  - 2. Why is membership defined?
- C. Who are members of the church?

**II. Paul’s two messengers**

- A. Messengers from part of the church to another part of the church.
- B. Tychicus:
  - 1. Beloved brother
  - 2. Faithful minister
  - 3. Sent by Paul
- C. Onesimus
  - 1. His story: the runaway slave (Philem.)
  - 2. Who he is now:
  - 3. New brothers come into the church