

# The Truth about the Church

PART 1

Pastor Thomas Overmiller, FBC

[WWW.STUDYGODSWORD.COM](http://WWW.STUDYGODSWORD.COM)

---

*The church is a special work of God that is distinct from the nation of Israel.*

---

- I. The key word for church is \_\_\_\_\_.
- II. The church is distinct from \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Christ planned to build His church \_\_\_\_\_ His earthly ministry (Mt. 16:18).
- B. It was the result of His atoning work and was considered to be something \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph. 2:14-15).
- C. It was built upon the \_\_\_\_\_ of the apostles and prophets (Eph. 2:20, 3:5).
- D. It was a mystery \_\_\_\_\_ in the Old Testament (Eph. 4:4-9, Col. 1:26-27).
- E. It was not a possible entity until \_\_\_\_\_ Christ's resurrection and ascension (Eph. 1:20-23, 4:7-12).
- F. The church is neither a national nor a \_\_\_\_\_ entity (Mt. 22:15-21, Jn. 18:36-37).
- G. The church does not displace Israel in the plans of God, though it does overlap \_\_\_\_\_ (Gn. 12:1-3, Ga. 3:7-9, Rm. 11:1-2).